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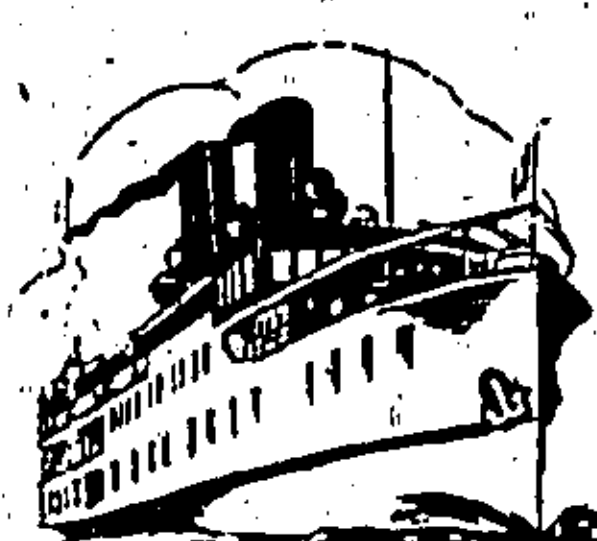
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"That man's business over there
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"Really? What does he do?"
"He builds lighthouses."

"Is your husband liberal in money
matters?"
"No. He's a politician, and he op-
poses every bill I want to pass."

She: "Do you know why I won't
marry you?"
He: "I can't think."
She: "That's right."

"I'm going to Paris next year."
"Business and pleasure combin-
ed, I suppose?"
"No. Business only. My wife is
going with me."

Babette: "Would you marry a
man to reform him?"
Beryl: "I suppose I shall have
to; there isn't one of them that
suits me the way he is now."

Margaret: "Why, there's Joan!
Goodness, she looks just as young
as ever, doesn't she?"

Barbara: "Um, yes, but she tells
me it costs her more every year!"

The Professor: "I unearthed
some of George III's coins at the
back of your old brickyard."

Rustic: "Lord! Oh wonder 'ow
e come to drop 'em just there!"

"I don't like my mother-in-law."
"Listen, don't you realize that
you wouldn't have your wife if it
hadn't been for your mother-in-
law?"

"Yes, that's why I don't like her."

THE ARMY

The Royal Scots Fusiliers

London, Nov. 30.
The 2nd Battalion, The Royal
Scots Fusiliers, takes up duty to-
day in the 5th Infantry Brigade at
Aldershot on transfer from the
14th at Caterick Camp.

The unit relieved is the 2nd
Battalion, The Queen's Own
Cameron Highlanders, now on the
way to Jerusalem. The 2nd Bat-
talion of the old 21st Foot was at
Aldershot after the South African
War and had at that time a link
with the early Victorian Army in
its Colonel, Field Marshal Sir
Frederick Haines, who had served
with the battalion. The unit's
stations before 1914 were Tid-
worth, Dublin, Londonderry, and
Gibraltar. Eighteen battalions of
the regiment served in the War.
The tour of overseas garrison duty
was resumed in India. The bat-
talion left Ferozapore in 1930 for
Shanghai and returned home in
1932.

1ST CAVALRY BRIGADE
Brigadier Francis W. Bullock
Marshall, D.S.O., M.C., A.D.C., will
complete his tenure in command
of the 1st Cavalry Brigade at
Aldershot on April 2. He com-
manded the 3rd Carabiniers which
was in the brigade until recently.

His successor, announced yester-
day, Colonel C. W. M. Norrie,
D.S.O., M.C., is of the 11th Hus-
sars, but more recently was with
the 10th in India. The composi-
tion of the 1st Cavalry Brigade for
his first training season as its
brigadier will be The Royal Scots
Greys, recently joined from Edin-
burgh, The Queen's Bays, and 4th
Queen's Own Hussars. Colonel
Norrie was Brigade Major of his
new brigade from 1923 to 1930.
Among his staff posts in France
were two with the Tanks. Later
his regiment was converted into
an armoured-car unit. This ex-
perience should be valuable in the
new mobile division in which the
1st Cavalry Brigade will be in-
cluded.

YESTERDAY'S QUOTATIONS

T.T. ON LONDON.—1s. 3½d. (nom).

T.T. ON NEW YORK.—31.9/16.

ROYAL NAVY

Chief Staff Officer Malta

London, Nov. 30

The dual appointment of Chief
Staff Officer and Maintenance
Captain, Malta, has been tempo-
rarily divided. Captain E. R. Con-
son, M.V.O., D.S.C., the former
occupant, remains on as Main-
tenance Capt. Capt. F.W.H. Jeans
from committee work at the Ad-
miralty, has been appointed tem-
porarily as Chief Staff Officer. The
Admiral-Superintendent is Vice-
Admiral W. F. French, C.B., C.M.G.

Captain Jeans is a gunnery spec-
ialist, and was last in the Mediter-
ranean as executive officer of the
cruiser Shropshire in 1932-34.
During the War he was sub-
lieutenant of the cruiser Duke of
Edinburgh and lieutenant of the
monitor Havelock and the battle-
ship Resolution. He specialized in
gunnery in 1918 and graduated at
the Staff College in 1926.

COMMAND MONEY

The Admiralty announce that
captains (S) commanding flotillas
of submarines in full commission
are to receive, as from October 4,
1935, the highest rates of com-
mand money and entertaining
allowance of 10s. and 8s. a day
respectively, without regard to the
number of personnel under their
orders. King's Regulations and
Admiralty Instructions, appendix
I, part 3, No. 13, will be amended.

ROYAL NAVAL FLYING CLUB

Membership of the Royal Naval
Flying Club, formed in 1931 to en-
courage private flying among
naval officers, has now increased
to about 200. To encourage
younger officers to join they are
excused at present from the en-
trance fee (15s.), but this com-
pensation may not be continued in-
definitely. By joining the R.N.F.C.
an officer automatically becomes a
member of certain flying clubs
where facilities for flying, instruc-
tion are provided. Information
may be obtained from Command-
er E. W. Woodruff, R.N., secre-
tary, care of Royal Aeronautical
Society, 8, Albemarle Street, W.1.

COMMANDER FOR THE KENT

Commander K. M. L. Robinson,
whose appointment to H.M.S. Kent,
flagship in China, dates from to-
day, has been taking the 1935
course at the R.N. Staff College,
and last served afloat in H.M.A.S.
Canberra as squadron navigating
officer, Australian Squadron, in
1932-34. Commander Robinson
went to sea from Dartmouth Col-
lege at the outbreak of the War,
in which he served as midship-
man of the cruiser Crescent and
battle-cruiser Australia, and as
sub-lieutenant and lieutenant in
the destroyer Rosalind and the
battleships Valiant and Superb.
In 1919 he was appointed in com-
mand of H.M.S. Gilla on mine-
sweeping duties in the Aegean.

SURVEYING SHIP

H.M.S. Kelleth, Lieutenant-
Commander F. H. B. Baker, one of
the four surveying ships employ-
ed in home waters, is ordered to
reduce to winter complement on
December 5. Her present ship's
company joined her at Chatham
on March 28 for the surveying sea-
son. The Kelleth, completed in
1919, is a converted twin-screw
minesweeper of the "Hunt" class.

LAUNCH OF NEW SLOOP

The new sloop Aberdeen is to be
launched at Devonport on January
22, 1936. This is the first of the
six sloops of the 1934 construction
programme to be put afloat. Her
keel was laid on June 12 last, and
she should be ready for service in
the autumn of 1936, when accord-
ing to present arrangements she
will relieve the Eryon in the
Mediterranean Fleet.

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25

"Anniversaries and Holidays."
Christmas Day. Public Holiday.
Accession of Emperor of Japan,
1926. The Nativity of Our Lord.

Cinemas

King's:—"Metropolitan."
Queen's:—"The Broadway Gondo-
lier."

Central:—"Chinese Picture."
Oriental:—"Now And Forever."
World:—"Chinese Picture."

Alhambra:—"Way Down East."
Majestic:—"She."

Star:—"Gold-Diggers Of 1935."

Entertainments.—Miss Daisy
O'Keefe's Dancing Display at King's
Theatre, 11.30 a.m., on the Stage.

Miscellaneous.—Claims against
the Estate of Percy Hamilton Rôle,
due.

Social.—Tombola on board H.M.S.
Tamar, 7.15 p.m.; Cheero Club
Christmas Party, 7 p.m.; Em-
manuel Church Christmas Dinner
for Service Men, 7 p.m.

Sports

Athletics.—Primary English
School, (Children's Playground,
Kowloon City).

Football.—"Sunday Herald" Cup,
Competition, China v. Scotland
(Caroline Hill), 3.30 p.m.

Moon.—XI Moon, 30th Day.
Sunrise.—7 a.m. Sunset.—5.48
p.m.

Tides.—High at 10.18 and 20.29;
Low at 3.34 and 13.54.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26

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Alhambra:—"Way Down East."
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Star:—"Gold-Diggers Of 1935."

Sports

Athletics.—Primary English
School, (Children's Playground,
Kowloon City).

Cricket.—Triangular Tourna-
ment, Hong Kong C.C. v. Army
(Hong Kong C.C. Ground); First
Division, Indian R.C. v. Hong Kong
Electric; Craigengower Married v.
Singles; Kowloon C.C. v. Royal
Navy; Second Division, Royal
Navy v. Kowloon C.C.

Football.—"Sunday Herald" Cup,
Portugal v. Wales (Causeway
Bay), 3.30 p.m.

Yachting.—Macao Race for
Cruisers, 7.30 a.m.

Moon.—XII Moon, 1st Day.
Sunrise.—6.59 a.m. Sunset.—5.44
p.m.

Tides.—High at 8.54 and 19.06;
Low at 2.16 and 12.34.

EX-KAISER'S LECTURE

London, Nov. 29.

I have received an account of a
recent lecture given at Dorn by
the ex-Kaiser to a group of lead-
ing Dutch and German archaeolo-
gists, writes a correspondent.

The ex-Kaiser, who, in spite of
his 76 years, has still the voice of
a vigorous man of middle age,
spoke for nearly an hour on the
origin and history of the Greek
temple and its influence on Euro-
pean architecture.

After the lecture there was a
general discussion, in which the
Dutch and German professors
took part. Prominent among
them was Dr. Leo Frobenius, the
German explorer and anthropolo-
gist.

These lectures are one of the
pleasanter interludes in the ex-
Kaiser's life of exile. His last
lecture was on the Chinese
monad, a symbol which has some
influence on the origin of the
swastika.

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**BOTANICAL MARVELS:
PHOTOGRAPHERS' BIG EFFORT.**

Nearly one year ahead of time, the first exhibit for the Empire Exhibition, to be held at Johannesburg, South Africa, from September, 1936, to January, 1937, has arrived at headquarters.

This curious development, which probably stands unique in the history of such shows, is due to an accident. A Dutch University College at the town of Potchefstroom, came into possession of a covered wagon, very like those "Prairie Schooners" used by American settlers. It had survived an entire century since it helped to bring thousands of Boer Voortrekkers, or pioneers into the wilds of South Africa, where now the flourishing goldfields Transvaal and other provinces exist.

Unable to house this venerable relic, the Council of the Potchefstroom University College sent it to the Empire Exhibition, which promptly accepted this item for its Transportation Section.

Whole Empire To Take Part
Virtually the whole British Empire has now agreed to take part in the display at Johannesburg next year.

Great Britain, Canada, Australia, Southern Rhodesia, Kenya Colony, Zanzibar, and many others have definitely accepted, while satisfactory news from India and New Zealand is due at any time now.

Mr. Claude Taylor, head of the Exhibition's Branch of the Department of Overseas Trade, has just concluded a crowded but highly successful visit to Johannesburg, where he has settled the preliminaries of the great building to be erected by the mother country. Standing 90 feet, it will inter alia be remarkable on account of its absence of any name. Only a group of gigantic Union Jacks 36 feet in length, will afford the necessary clue together with the Royal coat-of-arms, 15 feet square, which will be carved in the facade.

Inside, a glass and bronze globe over 60 feet in circumference, will be the dominating feature of the main hall. On it will appear the British Empire in red, and by ingenious mechanical devices it will not only be made to revolve, but it will demonstrate vividly that "The Sun never sets on the British Commonwealth of Nations."

King's Permission
Galleries surrounding this remarkable exhibit will heighten the illusion that it is floating in space, while from various levels will be displayed a panorama giving the story of the King's Ships, the Mechanisation of the British Army, the Story of Flight, Triumphs of British Tropical Medicine, and other outstanding spectacles.

Each of these displays will range up to 150 feet in length and will require the use of models and lighting fixtures, the cost of which is very heavy.

His Majesty the King has given his personal permission for the use of certain property of the Crown.

Such is the rate of growth in the space demands for the Empire Exhibition that even the 100-acre grounds hitherto available have proved insufficient. With the permission of the Witwatersrand University, which adjoins Milner Park, the authorities have been allowed to "overflow" next door, where no less than three acres are being devoted to nurseries. All the glories of the incredibly beautiful Cape of Good Hope flora, many of which are restricted to a few hundred acres, will for the Exhibition, be transferred a thousand miles away at Johannesburg.

Rare Plants
The South African National Botanic Gardens at Kirstenbosch, near Cape Town, are arranging for the transportation of such rare plants as the Silver Tree, Disa Grandiflora, Africander, etc. The arrangements are in the hands of Mr. J. E. Wickens, late head-gardener of the South African government, who is making possible this miracle which experts declare will alone justify a visit to the Empire Exhibition.

Hundreds of railway gangers in the wilds of South Africa are searching for queer rock-plants to be used at the forthcoming show.

Similarly the Dominions and Colonies are being combed for their most interesting flora.

One man who was Sir Herbert Baker's chief assistant in laying out the city of New Delhi, Mr. J. A. Hooper, and who was likewise responsible for laying out in the virgin bush, the British Empire's newest capital city—Lusaka, Northern Rhodesia, has taken over the position of Chief Consulting Architect at the Empire Exhibition.

Native Life
South Africa's best-known Postmaster, Mr. L. B. Maggs, who headed the country's largest office, the one at Johannesburg, until recently, is now Assistant General Manager.

Photographers from every part of the world are expected at Johannesburg during the great "Empire Meet" which will be held during the Empire Exhibition, for which preparations are already well advanced. Over thirty countries are participating, while four different languages are employed in the invitations.

Mr. C. R. Bayoury, Hon. Sec. of the Johannesburg Photographic Society, is hard at work on this important undertaking, and it is expected that sections will be devoted to such notable subjects as African native life and flora, as well as to the history of Photography as an art.

**BOILERS SCALE
FORMATION**

WATER SOFTENING FOR
STEAMSHIPS

**Notable Plant On The
"Queen Mary"**

The latest scientific practice for large steamship operation includes the softening of the make-up water for the boilers so as to avoid scale formation. A striking example is a combined lime and base exchange plant on the "dual" principle, with quartz sand pressure filters, that is installed on the "huge new Cunard-White Star liner" "Queen Mary," now being completed at Clydebank by the Paterson Engineering Co. Ltd. of London, who have long specialised on water softening and general purification.

By this means the make-up water for the water tube boilers, stored in double bottom reserve feed tanks and the hot-well, will be maintained at zero hardness without the presence of any undue amount of soluble salts, since the lime plant will first remove all the temporary hardness (calcium bicarbonate). Pure soft water also is of great importance for operating the extensive laundries on board the modern liner, resulting in a great saving in soap.

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High Pressure Tubes
Water softening for steamships is due partly to the gradual introduction into the mercantile marine of high pressure water tube boilers operating at say 500-600 lbs. per square inch pressure. For "Scottish" boilers it is also used practice to use unsoftened make-up water, which has to be taken on board at many different ports, and is often extremely hard. Under these conditions a base exchange plant only is generally sufficient, with sand filters if necessary.

For high pressure water tube boilers, however, the ideal practice is a zero hardness water containing the minimum amount of soluble salts and always definitely alkaline to prevent corrosion.

A considerable number of "Paterson" plants either of the Base Exchange or "dual" lime-base exchange type are now operating on board ship especially in the case of Cunard-White Star liners. Typical is the "Berengaria" with lime plant gravity sand filter and "Basex" twin unit. Other installations are on board "P and O" liners, notably the latest turbo-electric vessels the "Strathnaver" and the "Strathaird" with pressure sand filters and twin "Basex" set, while mention may also be made of vessels belonging to the Commonwealth & Dominion Line, British India Steam Navigation Line, the Isle of Man Steam Packet Co. Ltd., and the London Midland and Scottish Railway.

can mid-summer, will be a reality during the Empire Exhibition, for a rink measuring 200 feet by 70 feet, large enough for tournaments, is being laid out.

A huge bubble fountain, 20 feet high, under which millions of bubbles of iridescent foam will cascade, and which will be illuminated at night, will be one of the spectacular attractions at Milner Park. Visitors may see the 15 miles of stands sitting in 2-seater roller chairs, without experiencing the fatigue of walking.

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12.15 to 2.30 p.m.—European Recorded Programme.

1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

2.30 p.m.—Close Down.

3.30 to 6.30 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

6.30 p.m.—to midnight—European Programme.

6.30 to 6.45 p.m.—

Military Band Selections

Nearer my God to thee (Rev. Dykes).

Onward Christian Soldiers (Sullivan).

Under the Banner of Victory—March (Von Blon).

El Abanico—March (arr. Hume).

The Smithy in the Wood (Michaelis).

6.45 to 7.45 p.m.—

A Relay from Daventry.

Big Ben—A Christmas Morning Service, relayed from Leicester Cathedral.

7.45 to 8 p.m.—

Marek Weber and his Orchestra.

Still Night, Holy Night (Platen).

Love's old Sweet Song (Melloy).

Where my Caravan has Rested (Lohr).

Deutschermeister Regimental March (Jurek).

Love's Dream after the Ball (Gibbulla).

8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

8.03 to 8 p.m.—

A Concert

Band—Christian's Awake

Life up your heads ("Messiah") (Handel).

Songs—The Holy City (Adams).

Jerusalem ("St. Paul") (Mendelssohn)—Master Iwan Davies (Boy Soprano).

Orchestral—Christmas Overture (Goldridge Taylor).

Lane Wilson Melodies.

Choral—See, amid the Winter's Snow (Goss); Christmas Lullaby (arr. Ball).

Lullay my Liking (Terry); There is no rose of such virtue (Ball).

Choir of Temple Church, London.

Orchestra—London Suite (Eric Coates).

Vocal—Tom Costello in Sons Memories.

Orchestral—Light Cavalry Overture (Supple).

Band—There's Something about a Soldier.

9 to 9.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).

9.15 to 9.45 p.m.—

A Programme of Well-known Melodies

Ave Maria (Bach—Gounod).

Ave Maria (Schubert)—Master James Phelan.

Violin Solos—Le Coq d'Or—Hymn to the Sun (Rimsky-Korsakov); Thale—Meditation (Massenet)—Mitscha Elman.

Songs—All hail, thou dwelling pure and lowly ("Faust") (Gounod) Your tiny hand is frozen ("La Boheme") (Puccini)—Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).

Cello Solo—Melodie (Tchaikovsky)—Gasper Cassado.

9.45 to 10 p.m.—

The J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.

Putting the Clock Back ("Famous Folk Songs of Britain") (arr. Squire).

My Sweetheart when a boy (arr. Willoughby).

Silver threads among the Gold (arr. Willoughby).

10 p.m.—Big Ben—Reuter Press Bulletin.

10.05 to 10.30 p.m.—

Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan The Gondoliers—Overture.

Ruddigore—Vocal Gems.

The Sorcerer—Selection.

Patience—Vocal Gems.

10.30 to 11.05 p.m.—

A Relay from Daventry.

"This Great Family"

Address by His Majesty The King. Greetings from all parts of the British Empire.

11.05 to 11.20 p.m.—

From the Studio

"A Christmas Epilogue" taken by Bishop Hall.

"It came upon the Midnight Clear."

Reading.

"All poor men and humble."

Address.

"O Come all ye faithful."

11.20 to 12 midnight.

New Light Symphony Orchestra

Sammy—Overture (Herold).

Mook Morris Dances (Grainger).

Handed in the Strand (Grain-ker).

Turkey in the Straw (Quint).

The Winking Doll (Goldman).

At Dawkins (Goldman).

Polka (Goldman).

Parade of the Tin Soldiers (Gossett).

Jazz Nocturne ("My Silent Love") (Suesse).

Buffoon (Confrey).

12 midnight—Close Down.

BERLIN PROGRAMME

9 p.m.—Call DJA, DJB, DJN (Germ. Engl.).

German Folk Song.

Programme Forecast (Germ. Engl.).

9.15 p.m.—H. Y. Programme: Yule Festival.

9.45 p.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJB, DJN.

10 p.m.—Christmas Carols sung by Children.

10.15 p.m.—Gala Christmas Concert of Items by Request.

11.15 p.m.—News in German on DJA, DJB, DJN.

11.30 p.m.—Today in Germany—Sound Pictures.

11.45 p.m.—Relayed from Königsberg.

"From Heaven High I come."

Christmas Folk Music from Eastern Prussia.

12.15 a.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJB, DJN.

12.30 a.m.—Close. DJA, DJB, DJN (Germ. Engl.).

RADIO MANILA

6 p.m.—Sunset Dance Programme by the Lyric Orchestra.

9.30 p.m.—Spanish Informational Period.

9.40 p.m.—English Informational Period.

7 p.m.—Studio Music.

7.10 p.m.—Philippine Net & Braid Manufacturing Company programme (Chain KZGO).

7.25 p.m.—La Insular Cigar & Cigarette Factory presents "Alres Filipinos" with Juan Siles, Jr. and his String Ensemble.

7.45 p.m.—Elizalde y Cia Presenta Ernesto Valdejo, Julio Esteban Anguita, Rev. and Mrs. Joseph W. Moore.

8.15 p.m.—"Apo on the Air," sponsored by the Cebu Portland Cement Company.

8.30 p.m.—The "Town Crier" presents a Quarter hour of Melodies.

8.45 p.m.—Basque Presentation.

9 p.m.—The Reptile Store presents Mo and Noth in "Snaky Business."

9.15 p.m.—Tirso Cruz and his Manila Hotel Orchestra.

11 p.m.—Sign off.

BOXING DAY

Jazz Recital by Harmony Boys

From Studio

Relay From Daventry

12.15-2.30 p.m.—European Recorded Programme

1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report

2.30 p.m.—Close Down

4-7 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert

7 p.m.—12 midnight, European Programme

7-7.30 p.m.—

Light Orchestral Selections

Schubert's Love Songs Medley

A Fairy Ballet (White)

Raindrops—Pizzicati for Strings (de la Riviere)

I want your heart (Haydon Wood)

Delibes in Vienna (arr. Walter)

Bird Songs at Evening (Eric Coates)

Gipsy Moon (Borganzini)

7.30-8 p.m.—

From the Studio

A JAZZ RECITAL

by "The Harmony Boys"

8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report

8.05-8.15 p.m.—"Hutch Medley" played and sung by Leslie Hutchinson

8.15-9 p.m.—

A Relay from Daventry

"Christmas Cabaret" A sleek and sophisticated surprise show, produced by Cecil Madden

9-9.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter)

9.15-9.30 p.m.—

Tunes from the film "Top Hat"

1—No Strings

2—Isn't this a Lovely Day?

3—Top Hat, White Tie and Tails

4—Cheek to Cheek

9.30-10.30 p.m.—

From the Studio

Professor N. A. Tonoff and his Concert Orchestra

PROGRAMME

"Sacred Songs"

1—Nazareth Gounod

2—Air on G-string Bach

3—Silent Night Gruber

4—Ave Maria Gounod

5—O Holy Night Adams

6—O little town of Bethlehem Redner

7—We three Kings of Orient are Hopkins

B.B.C. Transmissions

The following is the latest schedule of transmissions from short-wave broadcasting station at Daventry.

Transmissions from Daventry are intended specifically for reception by listeners in the countries of the British Empire.

The transmissions take place at all times of the twenty-four hours, and each is intended specifically for reception by all-wave listeners residing in different parts of the globe as follows:—

Transmissions

I.—Australia, New Zealand, Pacific Islands and Far East.

II.—Malaya, West Australia and Far East.

III.—India, Ceylon and Near East.

IV. (A and B).—Africa, Near East, Mediterranean Countries, parts of Central and South America and West Indies.

V. and VI.—The American Continent and West Indies.

At the same time it is possible for short-wave listeners to hear programmes broadcast in transmissions not specifically intended for reception in their area, although not always with the same degree of reliability or quality of reception as from those transmissions which are directed to that part of the world in which they reside.

8—Adeste Fideles Reading

9—Holy Spirit, Light Divine Gotschalk

10—It came upon the midnight clear Willis

10 p.m.—Big Ben: Reuter Press Bulletins

10.30 p.m.—12 midnight, A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra

12 midnight, Close Down

BERLIN PROGRAMME

9 p.m.—Call DJA, DJB, DJN (Germ. Engl.).

German Folk Song.

Programme Forecast (Germ. Engl.).

9.15 p.m.—The Stamitz Chamber Orchestra.

Christmas Concerto by Manfredini; "Dreikönigsmusik" by Walter Rein.

9.45 p.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJB, DJN.

10 p.m.—Relayed from Munich: "50 Jahre Zigeunerbaron"

Selections from the Operetta by Johann Strauss.

11.15 p.m.—News in German on DJA, DJB, DJN.

11.30 p.m.—Today in Germany—Sound Pictures.

11.45 p.m.—Songs and Tales about the Christmas Tree.

12.15 a.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJB, DJN.

12.30 a.m.—Close. DJA, DJB, DJN (German, Engl.).

RADIO MANILA

6 p.m.—Buddy Marks and Rafael Artigas.

6.15 p.m.—Tony's Investments.

6.30 p.m.—Spanish Informational Period.

6.40 p.m.—English Informational Period.

6.55 p.m.—Stock quotations, through the courtesy of Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.

7 p.m.—Popular Melodies presented by Jerry and his Romancers, Alice Worrick, Ramon Escudero, Johnny Harris and Russ Arkans.

7.15 p.m.—Studio Musical Variety Programme, conducted by Victoria Veloso.

7.45 p.m.—Philippine Life Assurance Co. programme (Chain KZGO).

8 p.m.—On Wings of Song with Ramon Alberto.

8.15 p.m.—N.E.P.A. programme.

8.45 p.m.—Stock Quotations and Local Market Reports.

9 p.m.—U.P. Conservatory Musicals.

10.30 p.m.—Slumber Hour.

11 p.m.—Sign off.

BROADCAST REFUSAL TO MARCONI

London, Dec. 30.

Sir John Reith, Director-General of the B.B.C., has discussed with the Marchese Marconi the refusal to let the Marchese broadcast on the Radio-Abyssinian question.

Afterwards the Marchese said that, while the tone of the meeting was very friendly, Sir John adhered to his decision.

"I am prepared to accept the invitations to broadcast to America and Australia," he said. "I shall broadcast on technical matters, but I do not know yet whether I shall be permitted to touch on political subjects."

"Sir John Reith would make no statement."

CEMENT WORKS IN SHANSI

OVER \$300,000 WORTH OF MACHINERY

Trial Operation Satisfactory

During recent years many industrial enterprises have been established in Shansi province, including wool-weaving, printing, coal-mining, cement manufacturing, power-plant, machine-making, automobile manufacturing, and industrial and agricultural tool making. Of these various enterprises, the cement works is one of the largest, located at Hsian-nan north-west of Chuyang on the Fenbo River. Situated about 15 kilometres from the Tientsin-Peking Railway, the site covers 153 mou, surrounded on three sides by mountains. The subscribed capital is \$500,000, of which over \$300,000 was used in purchasing machinery and \$140,000 on buildings. Trial operations were started on April 14 this year, with satisfactory results. About 200 workers are employed, with a daily output of 500 barrels of good quality cement. For facilitating transportation of output as well as supplies of fuel, a branch line of 19 kilometres has been built, connecting the works with Taiyuan station on the Tientsin-Peking Railway and the North-West Colliery at Paichichuang.

Raw Materials

The raw materials used in making cement consist of sand-stone, gypsum, and limestone, all of which are readily obtained from the nearby mountains, by light railways of 12 lb. rails. Coal is obtainable from the North-West Colliery First Plant, but since better fuel is available elsewhere coal from this colliery is not used. Gypsum from Hsian-nan is of excellent quality, and has been long known on the domestic market, large quantities being carried on the Chengting-Taiyuan Railway annually. As all the raw materials used are of superior quality, the cement is also very good, and the results shown by several laboratory analyses are very satisfactory. When this factory is in full operation, its output will find a ready market.

"PICTURE SNATCHER"

James Cagney, the bad boy of the screen, can be seen at the Queen's Theatre at an early date, in his latest Warner Bros. production, "Picture Snatcher" in a thoroughly hard-boiled role, although a delightfully entertaining one. "Picture Snatcher" is based on a newspaper story, Jimmy in the title role, is the so-called picture man who gets photographs of people and news events by hook or crook, regardless of ethics and common decency. He is particularly fitted for the role, having served a term in Sing Sing for robbery just before he enters upon his new vocation.

"METROPOLITAN"

For sheer musical merit, no more distinguished "picture" has ever come from Hollywood than the Lawrence Tibbett starring vehicle, "Metropolitan," which begins its engagement at the King's Theatre to-day. But, "Metropolitan" doesn't rest on music alone. The picture which presents Tibbett in selections from such operatic favourites as "Pagliacci," "Carmen" and "Barber of Seville," also has a well-rounded plot, an engrossing love story, drama and its full share of comedy.

"ALICE ADAMS"

Preterence and deception weave a tangled web in "Alice Adams," which stars Katharine Hepburn in the title role, coming on Sunday at the King's Theatre.

Based on the Booth Tarkington novel, which won the Pulitzer Prize for 1922, "the story is an unvarnished picture of the struggles and heartaches which a girl endures in her fight for love and social recognition in a small Midwestern town."

Not since Miss Hepburn won the Academy Award with her portrayal of the stage-struck girl in "Morning Glory" has she had a role which gave her such opportunities for unusual characterization, sensitivity and understanding.

EUROPEANS IN SERIOUS MOTOR ACCIDENT

Women Hurlled On To Street

CAR'S DOUBLE SOMERSAULT IN GRANGE ROAD

Two European women and a European man were injured when a touring car in which they were travelling home somersaulted twice and crashed on its side at the junction of Orchard Road and Grange Road, Singapore, at 12.30 a.m. yesterday. The injured women are:

Mrs. J. O. Mosley, wife of Mr. A. G. A. Mosley, of the Asiatic Petroleum Co. Ltd., Singapore, several broken ribs, fractured collar bone, cuts on face and bruises.

Miss K. Good, Singapore, cuts, bruises and other minor injuries.

The driver of the car was Mr. L. M. Wylie, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Singapore, who this morning was charged before the fifth magistrate, Mr. E. E. Colman, with having caused grievous hurt to Mrs. Mosley by a rash and negligent act, and with having caused hurt to Miss Good. The case was postponed for a week, Mr. Wylie being released on \$500 bail.

Mr. J. B. Stevenson, of the Great Eastern Life Assurance Co. Ltd., Singapore, was also in the car. Mr. Wylie suffered cuts and bruises. Mr. Stevenson was not injured.

RESCUE SCENE

A graphic account of the rescue scene after the smash, when both women lay injured on the road, was told by the Free Press yesterday by Mr. J. G. Baker, 21, of United Artists Corporation Ltd., who lives nearby.

"I was about to go to sleep when I heard a terrible crash," he said. "I jumped out of bed, put on some clothes and dashed to the roadway."

The car was lying on its side with the wheels facing down Orchard Road. Mrs. Mosley was lying on the road in front of the car, and Miss Good was lying at the side. Both had been thrown out of the car.

"When I arrived a police constable and an elderly Chinese were already attending to the injured women. Another woman arrived, and we aided them as much as we could."

"I tried to staunch the wounds with a handkerchief, while the others got car cushions to make the women comfortable until the ambulance arrived."

"Both men appeared to be badly shaken by the crash. The women were suffering from their injuries and from loss of blood."

HOOD RIPPED

Mr. Baker said that the hood of the car was ripped open, the oil tank smashed, the signal arm ripped off, and one mudguard and wheel badly buckled.

The car was coming from Orchard Road into Grange Road when it skidded and overturned. After having somersaulted twice it finished up on its right side. It lay at right angles across the middle of the road.

Parts of the car were scattered with petrol and oil from the burst tanks.

The ambulance was called by a policeman and Mrs. Mosley and Miss Good, both conscious but suffering severely from shock, were taken to the General Hospital.

An X-ray will be made to ascertain Mrs. Mosley's internal injuries.

Schools Promoted To The O.T.C.

GOOD OFFICER SUPPLY FOR THE TERRITORIALS

The status of seven cadet corps maintained by secondary schools has been raised through their admission to membership of the junior division of the Officers' Training Corps.

Each of the schools obtaining War Office approval to this course are affiliated to Territorial Army battalions. They now appear in the monthly Army List as contingents of the O.T.C. A slightly higher standard of training will now be necessary.

There are many secondary schools desirous of joining the O.T.C. when vacancies occur, and it is regarded as a recognition of meritorious service when a school is selected by the War Office for this special corps for the training of young officers.

A few months ago certain schools with O.T.C. contingents were removed by the War Office from the corps. The reason was that they had failed to meet their obligations in respect of training and providing candidates for the commissioned ranks of the Territorial Army.

There are now 176 public and secondary schools with O.T.C. contingents. Each of the new schools has two platoons of Infantry. They are: Brentwood School, Essex;burgh; Enlme Grammar School, Liverpool; Park Manchester; Merchant Taylors' School, Crosby; Liverpool; Peter Symonds' School, Winchester; Rutlish School, Merton; and Seaford School, Kidderminster.

These little boys were boasting of the abilities of their respective fathers.

Said one: "My father's a musician, and when he composes a song, he gets five pounds for it."

"That's nothing," said the second. "My father's an author, and when he writes an article he gets ten pounds for it."

"Well," said the third boy, "my father's a minister, and when he preaches a sermon it takes six men to carry up the money to him."

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9 OTHERS

A First National Picture

NEXT CHANGE
PAUL MUNI in
"BLACK FURY"

"BROADWAY GONDOLIER"

Warner Bros. latest musical comedy, "Broadway Gondolier," which reunites the popular stars of "Gold Diggers of 1933," Dick Powell and Joan Blondell.

There is an all star cast which also includes Adolphe Menjou, Louise Fazenda and George Barbier. The story which is new, concerns a New York taxi-driver, played by Dick Powell who aspires to be a singer and takes lessons from a down and out Italian teacher. The taxi-driver gets an audition at a radio station, but through a series of humorous mix-ups, fails to arrive. The professor sings for him, but his one time fine voice is gone and Dick loses his chance.

HAPPY



Robert Armstrong looks happy here, and perhaps it's because he's appearing with Sybil Jason, the new child star, in Warner Bros. "Little Big Shot" which is due at the Alhambra Theatre on Saturday

Leslie Howard To Produce And Star In Bonnie Prince Charlie

C. M. Woolf announces that United Players Productions, the new unit formed by Eugene Frank and Leslie Howard, are scheduling for early production a Scottish historical feature, centred round the romantic career of Bonnie Prince Charlie.

Gilbert Lennox, famous for his adaptation of "Close Quarters," the West End stage success, is putting the finishing touches to the script, already completed and passed by Leslie Howard, who will, himself, produce and star in the picture for General Film Distributors, Ltd.

A correspondent relates that the recent wet spell in England seems to have encouraged the growth of roadstools among the grass at the rear of his house.

When his little daughter nodded, this phenomenon for the first time she came running into the house exclaiming—"Mummy, mummy, it's so wet that even the grasshoppers have put up their little umbrellas!"

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong

KING'S:—"Metropolitan"

QUEEN'S:—"The Broadway Gondolier"

ORIENTAL:—"Now and Forever"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:—"Way Down East"

MAJESTIC:—"She"

STAR:—"God Diggles of 1935"

Coming

QUEEN'S:—"Picture Snatcher"

ORIENTAL:—"Charlie Chan in Egypt"

ALHAMBRA:—"Casino de Paris"

STAR:—"Black Fury"

ALHAMBRA:—"Little Big Shot"

"ALICE ADAMS"

BOOTH TARKINGTON'S GREATEST NOVEL

Comes To The Screen With Katharine Hepburn

"Alice Adams," Booth Tarkington's brilliant saga of the small town girl, comes to the speaking screen at last, with vivid Katharine Hepburn in the central role.

Tarkington, America's greatest delineator of the national scene and its people, has never written a finer novel than "Alice Adams," nor one that paints a truer dramatic picture of the American youth of to-day. The Hoosier novelist is a true historian of the young people of our time in our own smaller cities, and as such he will fill an important place in the literary history of the United States.

His immortal "Penrod" stories picture the boy of twelve, "Little Orvie" is American boyhood at seven going on eight. The Willie Baxter of "Seventeen" will live forever as a tragic-comic incarnation of small-town boyhood in the throes of puppy love. In "Alice Adams" the master story-teller focussed his superb talent on the spiritual struggles of the mid-western girl of 22.

REAL AND HUMAN

Tarkington made Alice as real, as human as the girl who lives next door. The reading public took the book and the girl to its heart as soon as they appeared in 1921, and in 1922 the pundits confirmed the public's enthusiasm by awarding "Alice Adams" the Pulitzer Prize for that year.

"Alice Adams" was filmed as a silent picture in 1923, with Florence Vidor, now Mrs. Jascha Heifetz, in the role now played by Miss Hepburn.

RKO Radio Pictures, the producers of the film have handled Tarkington's masterpiece with tact and delivery, careful to retain the inimitable flavour of the book.

CHARACTER PORTRAYAL

"It is impossible to improve on the intimate dialogue of Booth Tarkington," says Mortimer Offner, who did the screen play with Dorothy Yost. "In writing the script no liberties were taken with the story except in the ending. The dialogue has been carefully preserved."

"In the title role, Miss Hepburn has an opportunity for character portrayal that has never been equalled since her sensational performance in "Morning Glory," which won the Academy award in 1933."

No more perfect artist to recreate Alice could have been found than Miss Hepburn, a small-city girl herself whose background must contain a dozen Alices. Similarly, no finer role could have been found for the dynamic young star whose public has been demanding her appearance in a great modern-girl dramatic part.

"The combination of Hepburn's undoubted genius and one of the finest American-girl characters of recent literary history is sure to produce a memorable motion picture. Tarkington's "Alice Adams" now lives on the motion picture screen as well as in the hearts and imaginations of hundreds of thousands of readers."

ALL-TIME ALL-AMERICAN MOVIE LIST-LATEST REVISION

About once a year we break down in favour of some moving picture whose excellence is such that it cries out loud for an editorial. Grace Moore's "One Night of Love" charmed the latest of these editorial raves.

Here is a new addition to our list of all-time all-American pictures—"Top Hat," starring Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers; music and lyrics by Irving Berlin; now on view at Radio City Music Hall.

Just as Grace Moore in "One Night of Love" first brought the singing soul of grand opera, minus the tedious trappings, to tens of millions of movie fans so "Top Hat" is the best thing yet done in movie musical comedy.

GORGEOUS SETTING

The music is Berlin at his best; the settings are gorgeous; the lines are among the funniest we've heard; and the dancing and comedy of Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers are something to go back and see again. Especially the dancing. Astaire has long been known as the man who made over the humble buck-and-wing into an

art; and in Ginger Rogers he has found a lovely and agile dance partner—a worthy successor to his sister, Adele, now Lady Charles Cavendish.

This team has now made three fine pictures—"The Gay Divorcee," "Roberta" and—best of the lot—"Top Hat." We hope they stay together for at least three more.

When you try to pick out the eleven best movies ever made, you must consider the time when they were made. "The Birth of a Nation" was the finest picture of 1915. It would not be the finest picture of 1935, because for one thing it lacks sound, and for another, photography has greatly improved in the past twenty years.

Bearing in mind this limitation, we pick for all-time all-American the following eleven moving pictures: "The Birth of a Nation," "Broken Blossoms," "The Miracle Man," "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," "The Kid," "The Big Parade," "Anna Christie" (talking version), "Smilin' Through," "Calvalcade," "One Night of Love," and "Top Hat."

COMING TO THE ALHAMBRA



Sybil Jason, whose first American film has made her the biggest little star of them all, and Glenda Farrell, will be seen at the Alhambra Theatre on Saturday in the Warner Bros. production "Little Big Shot."

STRAIGHT FROM HOLLYWOOD

GARY IN PENTONVILLE

Gary Cooper has enjoyed every bit of his part in George du Maurier's "Peter Ibbetson" which he made for Paramount, except for five days.

For these five days he was flung—with manacles—into the most perfect replica of Pentonville Gaol possible.

Paramount's reproduction of the famous London prison was too much for Gary, and after the first day he pleaded claustrophobia.

This Hollywood "prison" has concrete walls a yard thick, hardly any light coming through the barred windows, and low wooden beds with a piece of blinding plank for a pillow.

It is equipped with stocks, whipping post, ball and chain, the cat-o-nine-tails and other stimuli to good behaviour.

NO GAOLBIRD!

Henry Hathaway, the director of "Peter Ibbetson," dropped in twice a day to see how Gary was getting on. He knows quite a bit about prisons although he has never yet been an inmate of one himself.

But five of his pictures for Paramount, including "The Lives of a Bengal Lancer" had a prison in them.

Incidentally, George du Maurier, who wrote "Peter Ibbetson," used to visit Pentonville when he was a cartoonist on "Punch." Then it was called the "Model Prison," and the convicts thought it—in the slang of the period—a "Cushy brig."

CHOIR BOY GOES TO HOLLYWOOD

Claude Rains, who is featured with Gary Grant in Paramount's "The Last Outpost," started his career by "mitching"—in the English language—from school in England.

Knowing he was a truant his pride would not allow him to re-

main idle so he started selling newspapers. In the course of his work he struck up an acquaintance with a boy who was taking choir lessons at the Jesuit Church in Farm Street in the West End of London.

Rains was given a voice test and joined the choir, and one of the fathers told him that his voice was ideal for the stage.

Claude continued his choir work, progressed into stage work as a singer and actor, and then went to the screen.

CARL BRISSON'S VERSATILITY

Carl Brisson is demonstrating the latest turn of his versatility in Paramount's "Ship Cafe," in which he plays the part of a coal heaver in the stoke hole of a ship.

Brisson is a Dane by birth and a native of Copenhagen, but by habit an Englishman. He started in the theatre by dancing, and then managed a troupe called "Brisson's Blue Blondes" in a Stockholm theatre. A Miss Gustafson, who worked in a beauty parlour, asked him for a job in the chorus. That lady is now known as Greta Garbo.

At the age of 16, Brisson was six feet two and weighed 180 pounds. He became a boxer and after a year he knocked out someone important, and was hailed as the welter-weight champion of Middle Europe and Scandinavia. But... the treasurer absconded with the gate receipts.

After one more bout Brisson found himself broke and slept in a mortuary. The next day he borrowed a shilling and bought a tuning fork in a pawnshop. Despite the fact that he was stone deaf he tuned 88 pianos in two days, and then left in a first-class compartment for Copenhagen.

After that his stage career began.

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WHITE ARMY LEADER IN LONDON

His Theory Of Mystery Of Vanished General:

VIRILE AT THE AGE OF SEVENTY

General Denikin, the only surviving leader of Russia's White Army in the war against the Bolsheviks, has come to London after an absence of fifteen years, to meet a thousand of his fellow exiles who live in England.

He is 70, but is as virile as the crisply-pointed white wings of his moustache and energetic walk of his stocky figure suggest.

Since his exile he has lived in Brussels, writing of the various phases on the civil war in 1919 and closely watching the trend of international politics.

The White Russian colony in London sent an invitation to General Denikin to meet them on the eve of the Armistice and to talk to them about the present position.

"WE BELIEVE IN RUSSIA"

"We still believe in Russia," he told an "Evening Standard" reporter, "and we think there must be a great future for such a country if only wise counsels prevail."

"Unfortunately only a handful of us recognized in 1918 how grave was the Bolshevik menace. The original White Army was formed by a group of officers and men who between them had only £40 in roubles for the campaign. But we were inspired by the justice of our cause."

"Although the White Army grew to a strength of 200,000 rifles it was found that our effort to bring about freedom was not recognized generally by the Russian people as being the greatest importance to their welfare."

"There are a hundred and one things which go towards the explanation of the defeat of the White Army. I do not, as has been suggested, blame the British Government for my failure; and I have not sent back to the British War Office the British decorations given to me for war services."

FOUGHT TO THE END

"On several occasions I have expressed gratitude to the British Government for materials and supplies given to the White Armies."

"But it is true that I should have liked more help from the British as well as other allied governments, and have regretted that this was not forthcoming."

"The White Army fought gallantly to the end and it was most distressing and difficult for me when it became essential to order the evacuation."

One of General Denikin's most able commanders was General Alexandre Koutepoff. General Denikin discussed the mystery of Koutepoff's disappearance in Paris in 1930, when sensational charges of kidnapping were made against the Bolsheviks.

"I was living on the Continent when the incident took place," said General Denikin, "and was among those who demanded a thorough investigation, but we have never heard the truth and the disappearance of my old commander remains a mystery."

HOW HE VANISHED

General Koutepoff, a Russian hero of the Japanese war, was head of the anti-Bolshevik movement outside Russia. On a Sunday in February 1930 he attended divine service at the Russian Church in Paris and then left for his home in the Latin quarter.

He went out again a few minutes later to go to a Russian ex-officers' club and from that moment vanished.

"You can imagine the effect it had upon our minds," said General Denikin. "One of our friends had disappeared in the heart of a great city. We seemed to feel the power of the Ogpu even as far away as Paris. Most of us wondered if it would be our turn next."

General Koutepoff was heartily disliked by the Bolsheviks, and he had always defied them. He told me once that he was certain of the existence of a plot against him, but he refused to be guarded and said he could rely upon his own strength.

KIDNAPPING THEORY

"He was a man of powerful build and had no fear. Although we made many inquiries in Paris and other countries we could not find out definitely what happened. I am certain that the general must be dead."

"My own view is that the Bolshevik, through an organization in Paris, arranged the kidnapping of the general, and that they were particularly anxious to take him alive."

"I believe that they wanted to smuggle him back to Russia, as they had done with several of their enemies."

"In my opinion they killed Koutepoff during the kidnapping. It is highly probable that they had planned to chloroform him when he was riding in a taxicab, and that an overdose was administered during the struggle."

BRENTFORD'S BIG DEAL

FAMOUS HALF FROM WOLVES

Dai Richards 12 Times A Welsh "Cap"

London, Nov. 29

Another big-money transfer deal yesterday. Brentford next-to-bottom in the First Division table, were the buyers this time.

To strengthen their half back line they obtained the services of Dai Richards, Welsh international twelve times over, from Wolverhampton Wanderers.

Richards will take his place as left half in the Brentford team to meet Leeds United at Griffin Park to-morrow.

He may not be the only new man Brentford will have on view. Immediately after the Wolverhampton deal had gone through Manager Curtis renewed his inquiries after a centre forward.

Wolverhampton's ranks may lose a trifle unfamiliar without Richards. He has been with the club since leaving Merthyr in 1927, and has made 211 appearances in the first team.

HEARTS DEAL BREAKS DOWN

A distinguished record, that, but Richards still has years of good football before him. "He had the advantage of starting young; he is still only twenty-six."

Mr. Curtis's move to secure Richards followed a surprise eleventh-hour breakdown of negotiations with the Heart of Midlothian for the transfer of McCulloch, the Scottish international centre forward, and Massie, the much-discussed half back.

It is understood that Brentford's offer was as much as £10,000 for these two players.

Both played against Chelsea on Monday, and Mr. Curtis saw the match. Negotiations started afterwards and were continued subsequently by telephone.

In the meantime, it seems, Heart of Midlothian approached other clubs with regard to the transfer of these players.

Mr. Peart, the Fulham manager, was asked what he was prepared to offer for McCulloch. He replied that his limit would be £4,500.

There is reason to believe that the Arsenal, among others, were acquainted with the fact that negotiations were afoot—perhaps with the hope that they would be stimulated to making a fresh bid for Walker or Black.

THEIR FINAL WORK

The final words from Heart of Midlothian to Brentford were that they had decided to retain both players for the present.

Meanwhile, Mr. Curtis is busy elsewhere. He is determined to strengthen his team with fully-experienced players of the highest class.

The Brentford club is doing well as regards attendances, the support of First Division football at Brentford having shown excellent response.

Two other transfers yesterday. Newcastle paid £2,000 for Bullock, a Scottish centre half who has been three years with the Irish club, Portadown, and Luton added A. E. Shottbolt, a 31c 3m. seven-year-old local player, to their list.

TRANS-PACIFIC FLYING

London Greetings

London, Nov. 30.

Congratulations must be offered to the United States and the pilots of the China Clipper on the success of the first commercial air voyage across the Pacific, says the "Telegraph." The flight from California to the Philippine Islands, has taken a week, with intermediate stops at Honolulu, Midway Island and Guam, and a ton of mails has been carried in addition to 14 passengers. The Pacific, in spite of its vast spaces, is kindly to aviation in the number of islands that offer landing places, and it is not surprising that it should have proved easier to start an air service there than across the Atlantic.

This pioneer flight should be quickly followed by the extension of commercial services to China and to Australia and New Zealand. Already there is in existence an agreement between the New Zealand Government and Pan-American Airways by which an air service is to be running regularly by the end of 1936.

Before the crossing of the Pacific becomes a normal part of the mail service of the world we may remember those whose exploits have blazed the trail. Included among them are Sir Charles Kingsford Smith—now numbered among the missing—and Mr. Ulm, who made their flight in 1928; Clyde Pangbourne and Richard Herdson, the two young Americans who so long ago as 1931 flew non-stop from Japan to Washington State; and not least Miss Earhart, who made the first solo flight from Honolulu to California, the section of the journey that is the longest without the possibility of landing. Their achievements, and those of others, have brought the natural sequel that we record today.

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DICKEN'S CHRISTMAS CAROL

Recital At Rotary Luncheon

MR. CHAMPKIN'S DRAMATIC ABILITY

Many have heard and read of "Dickens' Christmas Carol" but those who were present yesterday at the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel at the weekly Tiffin of the Rotary Club were treated to an excellent dramatic recital of the same play which was delivered with eloquence by Rotarian C. Champkin.

Yesterday's function was in the nature of a "Ladies' Day" and many of the "fair sex" were present which added much colour to the function. His Excellency, Sir Andrew Caldecott, who was elected an honorary member of the Club last week was also present as was also Sir Thomas Southern.

Prof. L. Forster who presided at the function in his speech welcomed the return of Sir Thomas Southern after his recent illness and the presence of Rotarians Moss (Seattle) and Nixon (Carlton). Continuing Prof. Forster said:

"It is indeed a great pleasure to have with us to-day Sir Andrew Caldecott, not only as it is the occasion of his first visit to the club as Governor of the Colony but also as an honorary member of it. We conferred that dignity—the highest we can give—upon him last week and he very kindly accepted it."

It is appropriate, Sir, that a Rotarian meeting should be one of the finest functions you have attended since your arrival in the Colony, for this club is truly representative of the Colony's many and varied interests. It is, might say, the Colony in miniature. It is wholly unnecessary for me to explain to you the general principles and aims of Rotary, for as the first president of the club at Kuala Lumpur, and as a member of the Rotary Club at Singapore these are as well known to you as they are to me, and it is, I am sure, because they are known and fully approved of by you that you are here to-day.

ONE HARMONIOUS WHOLE

I cannot imagine any administrator not wanting to advance the welfare of a club of this kind, for it does so clearly strive to create those bonds of fellowship which unite this international community into one harmonious whole. Here it seeks to arouse a social conscience, and create that atmosphere of goodwill and understanding in which alone differences of opinion can be reconciled and difficulties solved. Since this club has been formed we have had our weekly lunches regularly; we have focussed attention on some problem either of local or wider interest. We have initiated a play ground scheme in the Colony for children to which as a club we have contributed \$5,400. The Society for the Protection of Children has received help from us, as well as the Street Sweepers and Benevolent Societies and we have assisted many other worthy objects on a smaller scale, but my own view is that our greatest achievement is the sense of unity based on a spirit of friendship that this club has brought about between the different national groups in this Colony, and that for the first time. That is why the club, Sir, had the keen support of your predecessor, Sir William Peel, and of Sir Thomas Southern, and that, I am sure, is why it will also have your sympathy, help and good wishes.

I now ask you to rise and drink to the health of His Excellency Sir Andrew Caldecott, our new honorary member.

MR. CHAMPKIN AT HIS BEST

Rotarian Champkin then went on with his recital of the abridged version of "Dickens' Christmas Carol" which he delivered with eloquence. Throughout the whole recital the narrator never once faltered and his imitation of Scrooge—"the hard and sharp, the squeezing grasping, tight-fisted and covetous old sinner" was well nigh perfect. From the character of Scrooge, Rotarian Champkin went to that of Fred the nephew who after untold difficulties brought that Christmas feeling—a kind forgiving, charitable feeling—into that old sinner's heart, was delightful to hear, being delivered with that very art of a dramatic actor.

It was indeed an excellent recital from the beginning to the end and as Rotarian Champkin finished his delivery prolonged applause greeted him.

Rotarian R. H. Kotewall in proposing a vote of thanks to Rotarian Champkin said that he had read and seen the play re-enacted more than once but that this was the first time he had heard it delivered in the abridged version. It was a dramatic recital done with an actor's art. Those who had heard the recital that day would have heard Rotarian Champkin talk for the 7th time before a Rotary audience. When the speaker heard the recital he was at a loss to understand which part suited Rotarian Champkin best, but at the conclusion he was forced to admit that every part did only with the exception of Tiny Tim.

Continuing Rotarian Kotewall said that yesterday's recital was a little good cheer to the poor children and the aged and through the instrumentality of the wireless they were able to enjoy it. Before thanking Rotarian Champkin for his talk Rotarian Kotewall associated himself with the remarks of the president as to the welcome extended to Sir Andrew Caldecott and Sir Thomas Southern.

At the conclusion of the function Prof. Forster thanked Rotarians Sherry and Clarke for the loudspeakers.

The amplification was done by the Hong Kong Telephone Co. Ltd., while the R.C.A. supplied the necessities.

'VIVISECTING ITALY'

Duce's Address On Sanctions

London, Nov. 30.

This morning Signor Mussolini received 846 widows and mothers of men killed in the Great War. In the course of an exhortation to resist Sanctions, he said:

"You will observe that some of the ex-allied nations are furnishing munitions to barbarians and putting them on the same level as Italy, the mother of great men and the mistress of civilisation."

"As to Sanctions, they cannot wound Italy, because we have more reserves than is generally thought. But they do wound us morally. Geneva has become a dissecting theatre, where Italy is being vivisected with cruelty."

The Duce's reference to resources has revived the rumours that the Treasury's gold reserves are far larger than is generally supposed or had been admitted up to the time when periodical statements were suspended.

The importance attached to organising the nation's "moral resistance" is shown by the appointments to the Supreme Defence Council of the Ministers of Propaganda and Education. The former's anti-Sanctions activities are already reflected in the Press, the theatre, and the concert hall.

The Minister of Education will see that propaganda for the Italian cause and against the Sanctionist countries begins in the classroom. Through him also will be organised the collection of scrap metal from schoolchildren.

The provision of relief work for people thrown out of work by the crippling of Italy's export trades by Sanctions is entrusted to the Minister of Public Work. The inclusion of the Minister of Justice is explained by the necessity for drafting new laws to implement the campaign against Sanctions.

Another provision made by the Cabinet obliges every man released from military service to belong to a State shooting club until he is 30.

WHERE THE MONEY GOES

Finance Committee Meeting

At the next meeting of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council, the following additional expenditures will come up for consideration.

Miscellaneous Services:—Telegrams, \$4,500.

Provision made in Estimates, \$10,000.

Provision made by Supplementary Vote, \$5,500.

At the time that the supplementary vote for \$5,500 was taken in October, the abnormal number and length of telegrams sent in November were not anticipated. The expenditure for telegrams incurred during the month of November amounted to \$5,489.45 which exceeded the average monthly expenditure by approximately \$4,200. A further supplementary vote for \$4,500 is now requested.

Miscellaneous Services:—Language Study Allowances, \$2,600.

Provision made in Estimates, \$17,000.

The number of officers in the service who have undertaken to study Chinese has been higher than was allowed for in the Estimates, and it is estimated that a further sum of \$2,600 will be required to meet expenditure for the current year. A supplementary vote for this amount is requested.

Prison Department:—Cleansing and Sanitary Materials, \$200.

Provision made in Estimates, \$5,800.

The daily average number of prisoners admitted to the end of November, 1935, was 1793 as compared with 1114 in 1932; 1472 in 1933 and 1619 in 1934, and in consequence of this unforeseen increase in numbers, more cleansing materials were required than were anticipated. It is estimated that a further sum of \$200 will be required this year, to meet the additional expenditure under this sub-head.

A supplementary vote for this amount is requested accordingly.

The above is to be met from savings under Fuel.

District Office, North:—Conveyance Allowances, \$90.

Provision made in Estimates, \$1,740.

Owing to the new system of calculating conveyance allowances on the actual mileage done, it is anticipated that the provision in the current year's estimates will be exceeded.

A supplementary vote for this amount is now requested.

The above is to be met from savings under Local Public Works.

Miscellaneous Services:—Printing and Binding:—Government Gazette, \$3,700.

Provision made in Estimates, \$7,000.

The estimate for 1935 was based on the actual expenditure incurred in 1934. During the current year the publication of several unusually lengthy Drafts, Bills and Ordinances has resulted in a very considerable increase in printing costs. A further sum of \$3,700 is required to cover the additional expenditure and a supplementary vote for this amount is requested.

Treasury:—Transport, \$100.

Provision made in Estimates, \$400.

More travelling was necessary owing to the increased number of vacant tenements that required inspection. In 1935 the temporary appointment of an additional Inspector of Vacant Tenements was approved resulting in an increase in transport expenditure.

A supplementary vote for \$100 is requested.

The above is to be met from savings under Incidental Expenses.

Medical Department:—Conveyance Allowances, \$50.

Provision made in Estimates, \$1,740.

Provision made by Supplementary Vote, \$130.

Considerable amount of field work was found necessary since the application for a supplementary vote for \$130 was submitted in October last, consequent upon the outbreak of malaria at Repulse Bay, Tytam Tak and Shek O and an increase in the number of cases of malaria amongst the staff at Shing Mun. It is now estimated that a further sum of \$50 is required to meet the expenditure to the end of the year.

A supplementary vote for this amount is therefore requested.

The above is to be met from savings under Anti-malarial Field Work.

Public Works Department:—Special Expenditure, Three 2-ton

Canadian built Ford Chassis, \$2,000.

Provision made by Supplementary Vote, \$9,500.

A sum of \$9,500 was approved for the purchase of three 2-ton Canadian built Ford Chassis (Financial Message No. 14 item 69). Owing to the decrease in the value of the Hong Kong dollar the cost is now \$11,505.94 and a supplementary vote for the difference of \$2,005 is requested.

The above is to be met from savings under One 30-cwt. Commercial Chassis.

Police Force:—Rewards, \$410.

Provision made in Estimates, \$2,500.

Provision made by Supplementary Vote, \$3,000.

Owing to an under-estimate of the amount required to cover expenditure to the end of the year it is requested that a further sum of \$410 be approved. During the past three months an exceptional number of returned deportees were arrested.

The above is to be met from savings under Secret Service.

Miscellaneous Services:—Broadcasting, \$391.

Provision made in Estimates, \$45,300.

It was found necessary to enlarge the accommodation of the Broadcasting Studio in May of this year resulting in an additional \$595 in rent. A payment to the Performing Rights Society amounting to \$1,565.64 was not included in the estimates for 1935. Against the above additional expenditure may be offset a substantial saving on exchange which brings the anticipated deficit under this sub-head down to \$391 for which a supplementary vote is now requested.

Post Office and Wireless:—Telegrams, \$50.

Provision made in Estimates, \$500.

The sum provided has proved insufficient owing to an increase in the number of cablegrams received from Singapore in connection with the Imperial Airways Services, which now carries mails from London weekly instead of fortnightly.

A supplementary vote for \$50 is therefore requested.

The above is to be met from savings under Carriage of Mails:—Transit Charges.

Post Office and Wireless:—Transport, \$100.

Provision made in Estimates, \$1,200.

Increased use had to be made of outside launches owing to the fact that a greater number of mail carrying ships than formerly were lying at distant buoys.

A supplementary vote for \$100 is therefore requested.

AROUND THE COURTS

Leung Kin, a baniashee was committed to stand his trial at the next Sessions, at the Central Magistracy, yesterday, when he appeared before Mr. H. R. Butters on a charge of returning from banishment before the expiration of his term of banishment.

It was stated that defendant was deported from the Colony on January 15, this year for a term of ten years. Nine days ago defendant was arrested in Queen's Road East, near Ship Street.

The case was continued at the Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. Q. A. A. MacFayden in which three Chinese were charged with possession of forged banknotes. A barrister and two solicitors appeared for the defence, and after further evidence of arrest was taken, an adjournment was ordered by the Magistrate.

The defendants Pun Shu, master of Kam Cheung Piece Goods shop, Cheung Kin Pui, book-keeper of On Lok Yuen Cafe, 25 Des Voeux Road Central, and Sze Po Wai, unemployed, the first defendant was represented by Mr. Hin Shing Lo, instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall, second defendant was defended by Mr. J. M. D'Amada Remedios, and the third accused was defendant by Mr. F. G. Nigel.

Cheung Kin-pui was charged with the possession of a forged \$10 bank note of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China. Pun Shu faced charges of uttering a forged \$50 banknote or the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and the possession of one forged \$50 note of the same bank and nine forged \$10 banknotes of the Chartered Bank; and Sze To-wai, was charged with possession of a forged \$50 note of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, a forged 20 piastre bank note, and a forged 5 piastre note of the Banque de l'Indo-chine.

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ROYAL AIR FORCE

New Group Captains

London, Nov. 30.
The three wing commanders promoted to group captain from November 25 are all serving in home commands. All three were former, in the R.F.C. and were in France during the War.

Group Captain J. H. Herring, D.S.O., M.C., after leaving Christ's College, Cambridge, became a sea planter in Ceylon. He came home after the War began, and gained the D.S.O. in Iraq. He was Air Attache at Berlin in 1931-34, and has since been Senior Personnel Staff Officer, Central Area, Abingdon.

Group Captain A. Shekleton, D.S.O., Q.B.E., was educated at Oundle and the R.M.A., Woolwich. He was appointed to the R.F.C. in August, 1913, and went to France on the outbreak of the War with No. 3 Squadron. He was awarded the D.S.O. in 1918 for services in France and Egypt. Since 1931 he has been Senior Equipment Staff Officer at Halton.

Group Captain C. H. Nicholas, D.F.C., A.F.C., from the City and Guilds Engineering College, was commissioned in August, 1914, to The South Wales Borderers, and seconded to the R.F.C. in March, 1916. He saw active service in France, Palestine, and Iraq, and has since served in India. For the past 24 years he has commanded Hornchurch Station.

In January next, the Air Force list will appear in a new form, with a rearrangement of the contents in a more logical order and a reconstructed and expanded index of names. Opportunity is being taken to omit gradually the first names of officers from the lists of commands and units. This will bring it more into line with the Navy List and the Army List. To enable the changes to be made there will be no issue of the list dated December 1, 1935.



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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF WILLIAM LUKE BRUN, of 3 Mervood House, BAKERMAN PLACE, FAKS, BUCKENHAM IN THE COUNTY OF KENT, FORMERLY OF 1 CROSS ROAD, SOUTHBOROUGH IN SHANTON ENGLAND, DECEASED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has, by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance 1897, made an order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 15th JANUARY, 1936.

All Creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 18th day of December, 1935.
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Solicitors for the Executors.

Prince's Building,
Ice House Street,
Hong Kong.
[4069]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF FLORA PERRY, otherwise FLOBA SAMUEL PERRY, late of No. 6, TING ROAD, SHANGHAI IN CHINA and of BOMBAY IN INDIA, SINGAPORE, DECEASED.

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Dated the 19th day of December, 1935.
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Solicitors for the sole Executor.

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[4066]

STUDENTS IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Dec. 24.
Hundreds of students are encamped in the "North Station," lying on the tracks and occupying coaches thus preventing the departures of trains.

Trains are now leaving from Chenju, one station next to the North Station, whither passengers from Shanghai go by taxi or motor bus.

A scuffle took place between the Police and the students in the heart of Nanking this morning when anti-autonomy demonstrators distributed "Anti-Imperialist leaflets." They were not allowed to do so and they resisted the police. Five students were arrested. From different parts of the city, students converging around North Station all the morning estimated to be more than 2,000 and more are going there.

Nanking Road is in the international settlement. In 1925 students mobbed the Louza Police Station there which led to the General strike.

EDEN HAS AUDIENCE WITH KING

London, Dec. 23.
Mr. Anthony Eden had an audience with the King before the ceremony of kissing hands and receiving the seal of office as Foreign Secretary at a Privy Council held at Sandringham. *Reuter.*

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THE DAY WE CELEBRATE

About the time these lines appear in print hundreds of thousands of people—in fact, most of the adult population of Great Britain—staggering under the weight and encumbrance of numerous bulky packages, will be making their last hurried visits to the shops for Christmas purchases. To English people this is the greatest holiday of the year, and around the whole world where British men and women are settled, temporarily or permanently, to-day and tomorrow are given over to feasting, merry-making and sport. Christmas has been adopted even in countries where the festival has no religious significance whatever—for example, in Japan, probably because it is so largely associated with the giving of presents to children. Many Chinese, too, though not interested in the theological aspect of the occasion, seize upon Christmas as an opportunity for observing some of the more popular secular rites and customs of the season.

Inasmuch as the spirit of the day we celebrate is one of peace and goodwill to all men, there is certainly no reason why non-Christian nations should not participate in the general expression of these admirable sentiments. In fact the more widely and the more often the spirit of Christmas is observed and put into the practice of every day affairs, the sooner shall we see definite progress made in the direction of world peace and the brotherhood of man.

Christmas as a social celebration is not, of course, observed all over Christendom. England, Germany and Russia keep it, but in France and Scotland New Year is the great day, and in Holland the feast of St. Nicholas is the children's day. In Puritan England all merry-making was frowned upon, and it is to one great and generous-hearted man, Charles Dickens, that we largely owe the revival of Christmas good cheer. And it has revived with vigour.

The modern generation of parents, brought up when the clouds of a harsher age were breaking, but had not been wholly dispelled, have a fierce determination to shield their children from the dismal, the superstitious and the unkindness of the old days. They have made Christmas the symbol of the wider and kinder outlook, and Christmas the joyful is the real thing now.

We wish our readers a very happy Christmas. Despite exchange fluctuations and business depression, we believe that most of those in the Colony who celebrate Christmas will contrive to put their cares away at least for the one day.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR READERS!

The "Daily Press" will not be published to-morrow (Boxing Day). The next issue will be Friday, December 27.

ROME COMMUNIQUE

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).]
Rome, Dec. 23.

The 78th official Italian war bulletin relates that 5000 Abyssinian warriors attacked the Italian line at Abbi-Addi west Makale marching northwards. The Italian and Eritrean and native troops made a violent counter attack whereupon desperate hand to hand fighting followed, the Abyssinians having the advantage of familiar territory but the Italian forces were better equipped with artillery and aeroplanes. Finally the Abyssinians were routed and chased by the Eritreans.

The losses on both sides are still unknown. Eritrean airmen bombarded an assembly of Abyssinians in a zone between Queran and Lake Ashangal. *Transocean Kuo Min.*

CONDITIONS IN YUNNAN

Y.M.C.A. WORKER'S VIEWS

Tin Production

Shanghai, Dec. 14.
Political conditions in Yunnan have become so stabilized during the past two years under the enlightened administration of Governor Lung Yun that a tourist may safely travel in any part of this southwestern province. Thus declared Mr. Shang Ai-Wu, Y. M. C. A. worker who just returned from that province. Economically, says Mr. Shang, a new order has come to stay in Yunnan. The Yunnan dollar once subjected to violent fluctuations, now stands at a steady exchange price of 96 cents against one dollar Shanghai currency. This stabilized currency situation has greatly benefited the Yunnan trade.

TIN EXPORTS

Tin, one of the most important exports of Yunnan, is also enjoying a brisk demand, according to this informant. This is due primarily to the rise of the tin quotations in the American market. To further boost the production of tin, the Yunnan Provincial Government is reported to have set aside \$10,000,000 Yunnan currency for the extensive opening of new tin mines. Remarkable progress has also been recorded in the promotion of popular education in Yunnan during the past 10 years, Mr. Shang observes. Despite the comparative backwardness of this outlying province, compulsory education was enforced as early as 1924. Speaking from the standpoint of educational expenses alone, the amount spent in 1925 by the provincial authorities was only \$200,000 during the present fiscal year. Another thing the Yunnan Government may very well be proud of is the fact that the payment of salaries to the Government-school teachers has never been in arrears.

COMMUNICATIONS

Equal strides have been achieved in the development of communications. Once virtually shut out from the outside world, Yunnan is now connected with other parts of China by highways and airways. Observers in Yunnan envisage a completely new economic set-up in this frontier land as a result of the rapid introduction of telephonic, motor, railroad, wireless, highway and air communications within the next ten years, Mr. Shang observed.

China United Press (by mail).

Mr. Pepps of Hong Kong wishes to inform his numerous readers that owing to the Christmas festivities, he is unable to write to his Uncle, Mr. Samuel Pepps at the Thatched House Club, St. James Street, London. His next letter will appear in the next issue of the Hong Kong Weekly Press.

LINDBERGH ON WAY TO ENGLAND

New York, Dec. 24.
Col. and Mrs. Lindbergh's departure has caused a country-wide sensation. Newspaper readers were at first sceptical of the truth of the report. The Colonel's mother in Detroit knew nothing of the departure, but has now definitely ascertained that the Lindberghs are at present on the high seas on the cargo boat "American Importer" of the Englewood Line.

Newspapers say that close friends of the family have declared emphatically that the Lindberghs do not intend to reside in England permanently, but it is reliably believed that they will not return until the Hauptmann episode is forgotten.

MURDERED BRITISH JOURNALIST

Ashes Interred in Wales

London, Dec. 24.
The ashes of Mr. Gareth Jones, the British journalist who was murdered by bandits somewhere in North China early in July, were brought to Barry during the week-end and interred in the cemetery yesterday after a short, simple Welsh service at the Church. Deceased's relatives and representatives in all phases of life in Wales were present.

TRAGIC VISITORS' BOOK

SAD ECHOES OF THE CAPE HORN WRECK-HOUSE

The Wreck House

Radio, echo-sounding and all the devices of civilization have not robbed Cape Horn of its dangers for mariners.

It is more than 300 years since Cape Horn was first rounded. To-day there is still a wreck-house where all who come may find refreshment, housing, tobacco and fuel—even cards and a tree library. There is no time-limit, but death to the length of stay visitors may make. A passing ship may or may not see a distress signal. A raft may, or may not, carry survivors safely to the mainland—and even then there is a long and difficult journey to the first of the small Spanish harbours.

A log-book written in many languages tells the record of those that come to the wreck-house. Few but those who have needed the protection of the house have seen it. None know of the subsequent fate of those who signed it. It is the most tragic "visitors' book" in the world.

EXPLORER'S VISIT

Mr. Francis K. Pease, formerly a member of the Discovery Committee's expeditions to the Antarctic, trader in native Africa, leader of a northern expedition to search for the log-books of the explorer Franklin, visited the wreckhouse when the Royal Research ship William Scoresby was driven to take refuge (of all places) beneath Cape Horn.

He describes his visit in "To the Ends of the Earth."

A finger-post, reminiscent of civilization, pointed the way.

"To worn-out and starving shipwrecked mariners it must have been the most wonderful place on earth," he writes, "an absolute paradise of comfort."

One English inscription, cut on the wooden walls, is "Thank God for this place." Other are pencilled, many so faded as to be unreadable. In one the single phrase "I'm the only one what got ashore," is decipherable.

The last entry in the log-book was about two years old and in Danish or Swedish. Mr. Pease thought, which he could not read. Another entry, about five years old, was that of a Finnish sailingship captain. Enough of it could be translated to learn that a large number of the ship's company had been drowned.

MR. PEASE

"The writing," states Mr. Pease, "was spidery and uncertain like that of a very sick man. Perhaps he died there in that wreck-house and his companions buried him somewhere near." But though Mr. Pease and his fellow explorers searched round the house for signs of graves, they could not find them.

On the precipitous mountain above from which Mr. Pease watched a schooner weathering the Cape, they found caves, with ashes left by the Patagonian natives, and clear evidence of a copper deposit.

Mr. Pease has provided a record of adventure in many parts of the world. Few men have been in more unusual places, or done more unusual things, and he writes of them all with interest.

GERMAN FOOTBALLERS

London, Dec. 30.

Hilder is more sensitive to expressions of opinion in this country than in any other. It is known here that he is getting anxious lest anything be done to prevent the Olympic Games from being held in Germany next year. Wednesday's football match has received his special attention. The German players and visitors are instructed to show no flags and to refrain from demonstrating their political allegiance. Hilder would like the match to promote good feeling between this country and his, and he is ready to call it off if there is any chance that it might have the opposite effect.

There are no official objections to the match here, and as far as official assurances can go—Hilder will be assured that there is nothing to fear. Whether there will be any spontaneous signs of approval by the British spectators for by the public as the charabancs of German players and visitors pass through the streets of London cannot, of course, be foreseen. But such signs are not a matter of official concern as between the British and German Governments.

FESTIVITIES IN THE AIR

Gay Hong Kong And Its People

WHAT'S ON THE CARD

During the last few days, Hong Kong seemed to have forgotten all about trade depression and the uncertainty of exchange. Everybody was busy with their Christmas shopping, and no one minded how the household budget is going to be balanced in January, 1936.

Up to a late hour last night, large crowd of people were still to be seen dodging in and out from shops in the Central district; all loaded with parcels and yet still adding on more.

Merry-makers were out to enjoy themselves. Old and young were to be seen, some in fancy dresses and some in the more conventional evening attire, but all making a bee line to the Colony's well-known rendezvous. Fancy dress balls were held in practically all the leading hotels of Hong Kong, while not a few private parties, all gay and merry, were also held.

MIDNIGHT MASSES

Special midnight masses were held in all the Catholic Churches in Hong Kong, and adherents of the old faith attended en masse. After the Church services were over, many a late parties were held in private residences.

A walk around the streets in the wee hours of the morning saw many revellers, nonetheless affected by their loss of sleep, or the numerous cocktails and what-not that went to make up a gay party, on their way home to two or three hours before starting out again on another frolic.

CHURCH OBSERVANCES

There was a Service of Preparation in St. John's Cathedral at 5.30 p.m., December 24.

The Bishop of Hong Kong preached at the Midnight Choral Eucharist at the Kowloon Tong Anglican Church last night. The Service commenced at 11.30 p.m.

CAROLS

As in former years, the St. Andrew's Church Carolers are making a tour of Kowloon and Hong Kong during these two days.

Under the direction of Mr. Rupert Baldwin, the Choir visited all the principal hotels in Kowloon on Tuesday night. The money collected will be forwarded to the Society for the Protection of Children and the St. Andrew's Benevolent Fund.

WIGGIN'S INQUEST VERDICT

Shanghai, Dec. 24.

At the Coroner's inquest into the circumstances surrounding the death of A. S. H. Wiggin on board the Pres. Mackinley on Dec. 21, a letter written by the deceased was read out, in which he said "This dreadful ear disease with no hope of cure is driving me mad. After weeks of pain without sleep, I am finished." The letter was unaddressed.

The Coroner said that undoubtedly the late Mr. Wiggin was driven mad with pain. The verdict returned was one of suicide while temporarily in an unsound mind.

Reuter.

The late Mr. Wiggin was counsellor of the British Embassy at Tokyo. He was found shot in his cabin with a gun by his aide on Dec. 21, shortly after the Pres. Mackinley left Hong Kong.

H.K.C.C. ARMY MATCH

The following will play for the H.K.C.C. against the Army in the triangular cricket match on the Club ground at 11 a.m. on Thursday, December 28.—A. W. Hayward (Capt.), A. C. Beck, G. E. R. Divett, E. R. Duckitt, G. S. Dunkley, L. D. Kilbee, I. McInnes, H. Owen Hughes, T. A. Pearce, T. E. Pearce, G. A. Stewart.

HAUPTMANN ASKS FOR PARDON

Trenton, New Jersey, Dec. 24.
Few hours before the news of the departure of the Lindbergh family for England, Bruno Hauptmann filed his appeal for clemency before the New Jersey Board of Par-

NEWS SUMMARY

The Army defeated the Royal Navy by 5 wickets yesterday on the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground in the annual Triangular Tournament match. The Navy batsmen could do little against Lt. C. Garthwaite, the interprovincial cricketer who took 7 wickets 38 runs. *Page 11*

In a replay for the Junior Football Shield, the Air Force was defeated by the Royal Engineers yesterday to the tune of 4 nil. *Page 11*

At the next meeting of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council, votes totalling \$17,667 will be asked for. *Page 7*

At the Weekly Rotary luncheon yesterday, R. E. Sir Andrew Caldecott attended for the first time as honorary member. Rotarian Champkin gave a delightful and appropriate recital of Charles Dickens's Christmas Carol, which was well received. *Page 7*

Fixtures have been arranged for local football matches to take place during the week-end. *Page 10*

LOCAL AND GENERAL

"A special Christmas Day Tea Dance will be held at Repulse Bay Hotel to-day from 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. Half hourly bus service during the afternoon. There will be no Dinner Dance that evening."

The China Emporium, Ltd. is closed to-day, December 25th in celebration of Christmas Day, and will re-open to-morrow, December 26th. The Cafe De Luxe, Chinese restaurant, Emporium Ball-room, and roof garden remain open as usual. To-day extra special Xmas dinner and dinner on Cafe De Luxe (Mezz. Flr.).

During the week ending on Dec. 21, notifiable diseases reported were 11 cases of Diphtheria with 4 deaths, 11 cases of enteric fever with 3 deaths, 4 cases of cerebro-spinal fever with 2 deaths, and 44 cases of tuberculosis (all deaths). For the 24 hours ended on Dec. 23, there were three cases of diphtheria and one case of scarlet fever.

BRITISH NOTE TO THE POWERS

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).]
Madrid, Dec. 23.

"El Debate" reports from London that the British Note to the Mediterranean powers enquiring about their willingness to afford military assistance in event of a conflict, was despatched as early as December 8. The reason being that it was found that the French naval harbours in the Mediterranean were not deep enough to afford anchorage for the largest British fleet units.

Moreover, France needs fourteen days to mobilise her reserves. This inability to depend on immediate French help was to have been compensated by assistance from other Mediterranean powers.

JAPANESE LEGATION IN ABYSSINIA

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).]
Addis Ababa, Dec. 23.

The Japanese Charge d'Affaires for Abyssinia and the entire staff for a new legation arrived here on Monday. The Charge d'Affaires was hitherto the first secretary of the Japanese Embassy in Paris.

MEETING OF MINISTERS

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).]
Baghdad, Dec. 23.

The foreign ministers of Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan and Turkey, will meet in the near future here for the purpose of concluding defensive alliances. The meeting will coincide with the visit of the Turkish foreign minister, Tawfik Rushdi Aras of Baghdad.

UNPROVOKED ATTACK IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

Anglo-French Fleet
Co-operationFRENCH AGREEMENT
WITH BRITAIN

Press Apprehensions

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Paris, December 24.

The announcement that negotiations have been held here during the last few days between representatives of the French and British General Staffs about the question of co-operation of the fleets of the two countries in the event of unprovoked aggression in the Mediterranean came as a complete surprise to the French public.

No detailed information is available here as to the outcome of the negotiations which were held in strict secrecy, and the Tuesday morning papers merely recall the fact by publishing reports from London about the parleys conspicuously placed in the back pages.

The nationalist paper "Le Jour" writes that it may be assumed that the French government agreed on principle to the British demand for neutral assistance in the Mediterranean.

Although French assistance only becomes effective in the event of an unprovoked attack on the British fleet, the paper asks anxiously the question, whether, "the whole matter is not leading France too far."

Transocean Kuo Min.

LAVAL'S CONVERSATIONS

Paris, Dec. 24.

M. Laval's successive conversations on Monday with the Italian Ambassador, the Greek Minister in Paris and the Turkish Foreign Minister is stated in well-informed quarters, referred to enquiries which have been made of the Mediterranean powers by the British Government regarding their attitude in the event of Italian aggression.

It is declared here that the French Government was only informed on Monday of these demarches of the British Government.

The Greek Minister is stated to have stressed in course of conversation with M. Laval that the Greek Government is determined to adhere strictly to the League Covenant, which is generally interpreted here as meaning that Greece intends to support Britain if the latter should obtain from the League a mandate to ensure the efficacious carrying out of sanctions.

TURKEY'S CONDITION

The Turkish Foreign Minister is said by the newspaper "Le Jour" to have informed M. Laval that Turkey's consent to come to Britain's assistance will depend on similar consent of all the other Mediterranean powers sounded by the British Government. Political circles emphasise that this condition has not been fulfilled owing to Spain not yet having defined her attitude.

The foreign editor of "Le Oeuvre," Madame Tabouis, writes on the other hand that the Turkish Government is rendering the promise of assistance dependent on the allegations of those articles of the Lausanne Treaty which prohibit fortification of the Dardanelles.

COMMONS MEMBER
RESIGNS

Malcolm MacDonald May
Succeed To Vacancy

London, Dec. 24.

Sir Ian Macpherson, the Liberal National representative for Ross and Cromarty in the House of Commons, is resigning his membership owing to ill-health.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald possibly will be nominated for the vacancy.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is reported to be likely to stand for the Scottish Universities by-election.

Reuter.

SOVIET-JAPANESE
FRICTION

Harbin, Dec. 24.

About 6,000 Japanese troops were entrained here this morning for the Heilungkiang-Siberia border.

BAD WEATHER
IN BRITAINBlanket Of Fog And
Ice-Bound Roads

London, Dec. 24.

Fog, frost and ice-bound roads combined yesterday to produce the worst pre-Christmas weather in England for many years.

A blanket of fog stretched two hundred miles from Preston to the South Coast. It was almost impenetrable in many places. As a result trains were delayed and a number of air services were delayed or cancelled.

Thousands of motorists, in view of the dangers on the ice-bound roads, took trains instead of cars. Shipping was fog-bound and there were many accidents and a number of fatalities, including three men and a boy drowned while skating at Loch Leven.

Reuter.

ANTI-JEWISH
FEELINGRowdy Scenes In
Hungary

Budapest, Dec. 24.

A stormy demonstration against the Jewish business people was organised in the town of Debreczin by the Arrow Crossers.

Handbills were distributed announcing that all persons making Christmas purchases from non-Aryan shops would be photographed. Groups of Arrow Crossers assembled outside the business houses and prevented the customers from entering the shops.

Two hundred Arrow Crossers held inflamed speeches outside the shop of a Jewish proprietor who had ventured a protest against interference.

The crowd became so agitated that only the intervention of the police prevented complete destruction of the shop.

Police took action against the Arrow Crossers and took possession of the handbills.

Transocean Kuo Min.

EDEN ASSUMES
OFFICEFriendly Gesture
From Laval

London, Dec. 23.

Mr. Anthony Eden, who was yesterday appointed Foreign Secretary, went to Sandringham this morning to receive his seals from the King.

He will take up his duties at the Foreign Office formally tomorrow, after which he is going North for a few days' holiday.

During his absence from London he will be in close touch with his department.

The Press generally gives a friendly welcome to Eden as the youngest holder of the high office of Foreign Secretary for the last 80 years and the appointment is felt happily to express the continuity of the Government's policy of firm and steady support of the League Covenant, of which Mr. Eden has already for long been the Government's mouthpiece at Geneva.

The new Foreign Secretary has received from the French Premier, M. Pierre Laval, a telegram of congratulation expressing the latter's sincere and confident friendship.

M. Laval adds: "I am happy to pursue with you the common tasks of our two countries for concord and peace."

British Wireless.

M.C.C. IN ANOTHER
MATCH

Christchurch, Dec. 24.

In their three-day cricket match Canterbury batted first and made 243. Kerr playing an unfinished innings of 140, batting solidly for 221 minutes. Sims took 4 wickets for 52.

The M.C.C. had scored 108 for 4 at the close.

Reuter.

GLARING PICTURE OF
ATROCITYCruelty Of Communists In
North Shensi "Red" Area

Taiyuan.—A glaring picture of the atrocity and cruelty of the Communist-bandits in North Shensi is given in a report by the investigation party organised by General Yen Hsi Shan, Pacification Commissioner for Shansi, who recently completed an inspection tour in that part of the Shensi province.

According to the report, in the bandit areas in north Shensi all officials, landowners, wealthy men, gentry, and school teachers are classed by the "Reds" as undesirable elements. Many are condemned to death by very cruel methods, either slashing them with swords and spears, or smashing them with big stones. The dead bodies are thrown into the river.

HARD LABOUR FOR THE RICH

In addition to the confiscation of their property and land rich men and landowners are organized into so-called "productive corps," and are compelled to do hard labour without payment.

All intelligentsia are sought by the bandits and executed.

With regard to farmers and workers the report says that they are compelled to espouse Communism. In ordinary times they are ordered to act as sentinels, mail-carriers and run petty errands for the bandits. In times of war they are organized into vanguards to fight at the head of the bandit troops. Most of them are sadly killed either by the government forces, if they try to advance, or by the bandit troops at the rear, if they attempt to escape.

WOMEN GET MARRIED

Women of the upper or intelligent class, the report reveals, are either slaughtered by the Communists or compelled to marry the bandit chieftains. Ordinary women are organized into laundry, sewing and cooking corps to serve the Communist-bandits, while young charming ladies are organized into "comfort" and publicity corps.

There is absolute freedom of marriage among women. Many women are lured by the Communists to desert their husbands and re-marry. But on the part of men there are very strict restrictions concerning divorce.

The Communists, the report further reveals, consider the family system as a remnant part of the feudal institution, and try their utmost efforts to break it down. The youths of both sexes are lured by the Communists to rebel against their parents and elders.

FOOD FOR BANDITS

In confiscating the lands of the rich the Communists, the report says, burn all title-deeds and relative documents. Such lands confiscated are divided up and given to the farmers for tilling.

Foodstuffs confiscated from the rich class are handed over to the "Foodstuff Committee" of the Communists for custody. Part of these are distributed among the poor as a bait to induce them to join Communism and the remaining part kept as food for the bandit troops.

The Communists give lectures and publish pamphlets to propagate Communism among the people. They use such slogans as "Redistribution of land," "Down with corrupt officials and unscrupulous gentry" to induce the ignorant peasant and working class to join them. According to the report, the workers are mostly lured by the Communists, as they have no property whatever. The peasant class are comparatively less easily tempted as many of them own lands.

In general, the report states, the people in the bandit areas in north Shensi are living in sufferings. The higher class who are frequently condemned to death mercilessly are constantly in fear and anxiety. Although the poor class seem to be more lucky than the rich class, they are bothered to death by the many duties thrust upon them by the Communists.

Central News Agency.

FLIGHT OF COL.
LINDBERGHAmerican Press
Incensed

New York, Dec. 24.

Humiliation combined with indignation pervades the press throughout the country commenting on Colonel Lindbergh's flight.

The "Herald Tribune" says the nations hailed their heroes before, but never made the life of one its most distinguished men unbearable through sheer inability to protect him from criminals, lunatics, and the vast vulgarities of its sensationalist publicity, seckers and petty politicians of the yellow newspapers.

Upholding the public sense of restraint and respect for individual rights and privileges underlying British freedom from crime, the paper exhorts the Americans to meditate upon the values of these virtues.

The "New York Times" speaks of the "public disgrace for America" and says we must firmly resolve not to rest until America is cleaned up and made safe for Lindy's little son and children of all honest citizens.

Reuter.

CHINA CLIPPER BATTLES
WITH STORM

Alameda (Calif.), Dec. 23.

The first hitch in the new Pacific air route has occurred when the China Clipper, en route to Honolulu, encountered a heavy storm with which the battleship fought for four hours, but was compelled to return here.

Reuter.

BANKS TO BUY
SILVERAmerican Control
Efforts

London, Dec. 24.

Reuter understands that the Chase National and National City Banks arranged to take up in China and Bombay forward contracts of silver falling due in January on behalf of the United States Treasury in order to safeguard the market against the serious effects of fall of silver.

It is reliably reported that the above-named banks recently bought fifty million ounces from the Chinese government to provide the latter foreign exchange to support its currency.

Following better Montreal and a more hopeful feeling visible today, some buying orders from Chinese and Indian speculators are reported. It is now believed that the Americans' recent manoeuvres of silver were designed to get control of the silver market into New York's hands.

Reuter.

FRANCE-SOUTH AMERICA
AIR SERVICE

Paris, Dec. 24.

The French Air Ministry announced that the weekly air mail service between France and South America begins on January 5, which will replace the present fortnightly service. Mail will be entirely carried by air.

Reuter.

CHRISTMAS AND
NEW YEAR GIFTS"BLACK
AND
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CURBING THE
FASCISTSMotion Defeated In
French Chamber

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Paris, Dec. 23.

The upshot of the debate in the Senate on the method to be adopted to deal with the Fascist organisation was that the government's motion was defeated by 179 votes to 111.

The Senate thereupon passed the first section of the bill providing for the dissolution of the organisation by a decision of the ministerial council. As the government had not made this question a confidence motion, and as the committee of the civil law emphasised that its attitude did not constitute criticism of the government, but merely the expression of their own opinion, the government need not suffer any embarrassment.

The Senate then adjourned till Tuesday.

Transocean Kuo Min.

EXCITED MEETING

The fight of the dissolution of the Fascist organisation began in the senate on Monday at 4 o'clock in an atmosphere of tense excitement. It will be remembered that the Chamber has already passed three laws about the Fascists organisation, carrying possession of arms and punishment for incitement to murder or accusation for violence.

The Government was represented in the Senate by Molese and nine ministers led by Premier Laval himself. An immense crowd gathered before the Palace de Luxembourg where the Senate sits, but a strong detachment of Mobile Guards and Police were ready to preserve order. All the streets leading to the Senate were occupied by the military, but no disturbances occurred.

In the Senate debate Justice Minister Berard, defended the view of the Government that political unions can only be dissolved by the Cabinet as a whole. The debate which continued to be lively is still going on, and is being watched with keen interest since developments at the juncture might embarrass the Government.

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CHRISTMAS MESSAGE
FROM THE KING

London, Dec. 23.

The King will broadcast his Christmas message from the B.B.C. Empire station on Christmas day at 3 p.m. His message will be preceded by a programme starting at 2:30 p.m. entitled "This Great Family" which will include relays from India, Africa, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, and will open with a peal of bells from Bethlehem.

This programme will be radiated on G.B.F. and G.B.C. Recordings will be broadcast on British Wireless.

HAND TO HAND
FIGHTCounter-Attack By
Italians

Asmara, Dec. 23.

An Italian mixed column of white troops and Askaris participated in a battle wherein for the first time Italian artillery played more than the normal role on the northern front.

When the Ethiopians attempted to turn the Italian left flank, the invaders counter-attacked which resulted in a fierce hand to hand combat with fixed bayonets against swords and rifle butts.

The Italian charge was supported by artillery fire from a mountain battery, and machine gun fire, with the result that the Abyssinians were driven into Tomqua Valley and finally took flight and pursued by Askaris.

The Italian advance was over rough and almost inaccessible country. It is claimed that the Ethiopians have now been driven away from a 40-square mile of fertile corn bearing country, which is one of the principal sources of food supply of the Tembien district, and thus they may have difficulty in replenishing the commissariat.

Reuter.

HEAVY LOSSES

Asmara, Dec. 24.

The Abyssinian losses during the battle of Abbi Addi, in which 4,000 Italians faced approximately 7,000 Abyssinians, are about 600 dead and 1,000 wounded, who mostly fell into the Italian hands. A semi-official Italian statement says that on the Italian side only five white officers died and three others were seriously injured, while Italian casualties of the Abyssinian Askaris were 100 wounded.

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MR. WANG IN CRITICAL
CONDITION

Shanghai, Dec. 24.

With one bullet still imbedded in his ribs, Mr. Wang Ching-wei, former President of the Executive Yuan, is reported to be in rather critical condition to-day. During the past four days he has shown signs of weakening.

Mr. Ku Meng-yu will not assume the post of Minister of Communications, while Mr. Chen Kung-po, former Minister of Industries, is now busy here registering all followers of Mr. Wang's Reorganisationist Party.

As Mr. Wang has accumulated a big Party fund, the Chung Hui Jih Pao and People's Tribune in Shanghai and the South China Daily News or Nam Wah Yot Po in Hong Kong will continue publication.

normal frequencies in other transmissions on December 25 at 4:45 p.m. and 11 p.m. and on December 26 at 3:25 a.m. 8:45 a.m. and 11 a.m.

British Wireless.

HOME FOOTBALL FIELD NOTES

Cup-Tie Surprises

Perhaps it would be an exaggeration to suggest that the Football Association Challenge Cup occupied the centre of the football stage yesterday. The First and Second Division teams were not directly concerned. Sixty-eight clubs took part, however, in what is called the First Round proper, and even though it be true that there is small hope of any one of those sixty-eight clubs being still in the Cup when the final tie is played at Wembley next April, the games in which they took part were none the less real—and vital—cup-ties from their point of view. There will be one more round before the more exalted clubs come into the reckoning. Then the seventeen fortunate clubs which have managed to get through the first two rounds will enter the lists, together with the forty-four clubs of the First and Second Divisions plus three Third Division clubs who had been privileged to be exempted until the Third Round.

Other titles, in addition to that of the First Round proper, have been given to the Cup stage which was reached yesterday. For example, that very popular figure in football, Mr. S. Allen, for so many years the secretary of Swindon, describes these early rounds as a cut-throat business. He does not consider it quite fair that such a big proportion of the Northern and Southern Third Division clubs—brothers in the Football League sense—should be concerned in disposing of each other before they have a chance to meet one of the bigger organisations.

Swindon Town were not concerned in any of the thirteen Cup-ties yesterday which brought Football League clubs in opposition. The club occupied a notable place in another connection. Swindon were the only professional side to be defeated by a purely amateur club. To Southall goes the credit of being the only amateur winners, and the performance was all the more remarkable because Swindon have well earned the reputation for rising to the occasion in the knock-out competition. They have even gone as far as the semi-final, if memory serves. There are other amateur sides who may yet have a direct interest in the Second Round draw, which will be made to-morrow, for Romford and Walthamstow Avenue were concerned in drawn games.

Unfortunately the Corinthians cannot be numbered among the amateur clubs which distinguished themselves in the Cup will be widely shared. Alas, that they should call for mention in an entirely opposite way. They had eight goals scored against them at Reading—a greater total than was chalked up against any other Cup side. The Corinthians were given the most difficult game of the round, for they had to visit Reading, the leading side of the Southern Third Division. Even so, when we recall the day when the Corinthians were such a power in the football world that they were capable of holding their own with First Division opponents, we cannot but regret that the famous club should have fallen on such lean times. The explanation is rather obvious. The Corinthians, recruited from many clubs, lack the necessary experience in really competitive football.

The officials of every club interested in a Cup draw scan that draw eagerly to see if they will have the right to play on their own ground. The evidence of yesterday's results suggests that playing at home is not such a decided advantage as may generally be supposed. Only sixteen out of a total of thirty-four clubs playing at home are now certain of being in the second round. Twelve teams were victorious away from home, and there were six draws. The teams which managed to draw on their opponents' grounds will now be convinced they can win the replay, but things do not necessarily work out thus.

The Cup would not be the Cup if it did not provide surprising results. There were several. Most startling of all was the fall of Cardiff City on their own ground to Darford, a Southern League side, by three goals. Eight years ago Cardiff City were the winners of the trophy, taking this so-called English Cup out of England for the first and only time. The tragedy of Cardiff City is complete.

Queen's Park Rangers have been doing so well in their League games of late that they were confidently expected to beat Margate, defeat was their portion. Margate is Arsenal's nursery club: the place to which they send their young players to be instructed in the arts and crafts of the game. But Margate have two players who wear Cup-winners' medals on their watch-chains. It will, indeed, be strange if they should carry on and eventually have to meet Arsenal in the Cup. One cannot recall any previous season the Isle of Wight has been represented in the second round, but Newport will be there to-morrow. They beat Yeovil and Petters, the "giant-killers" of last season.

There is confirmation, from the League results, that there is an advantage in playing at home. In the First and Second Divisions of the Football League only two visiting sides were completely successful. Most significant of yesterday's results was the victory of Sunderland at Everton, where Carter, who will play for England against Germany, on Wednesday next, scored one of the goals. Last season Sunderland went to the Christmas holiday games before being defeated away from home. They then conceded six goals at Goodison Park, and later had six goals scored against them on the same ground in the Cup competition. Revenge, they say, is sweet. Sunderland took their revenge. They have now passed the half-century mark in goals scored, and have a clear lead of three points at the head of the League. It is a big gap.

On Wednesday Aston Villa added to the big expenditure they have incurred on new players this season by securing the transfer of outside-right Williams from Huddersfield Town. Yesterday, this latest wearer of the famous claret and blue colours scored two goals. The Villa found the turning in the lane, defeating Stoke by four goals in all. Clubs don't count the cost when things are going badly. Brentford officials came to the conclusion during the week that it was necessary to spend money on the side if First Division status was to be retained. Ten thousand pounds was the amount they had to pay for the services of Richards from Wolverhampton and McCullough, a Scottish international centre-forward from Heart of Midlothian. The transfer of the latter player was only carried through late on Friday night, but after six minutes' play with his new team McCullough had scored one goal, and materially assisted in the scoring of another. That start suggests the money had been wisely spent, but before the interval Brentford's two-goals lead had dwindled to nothing, and their reward was a single point.

For several seasons past Wolverhampton Wanderers have had a reputation of doing nothing by halves. A week ago they lost by four goals at Highbury. Yesterday they were the League's most prolific scorers, running up to eight against Blackburn Rovers. Five different players were included in this total, but the Wolverhampton centre-forward was not among the successful marksmen. It must be a long time since any League side scored eight without at least one from the centre-forward position. In this game Blackburn Rovers scored first. By contrast with the Wolverhampton match, there was a goalless draw at Huddersfield. In the Arsenal defence are the two full-backs—Male and Hapgood—chosen to play for England against Germany, and the hint may be passed on that these defenders have not seen their goalkeeper take the ball out of the net during the last three games.

It is to be noted also, that the goals by which Middlesbrough beat Manchester City were credited to Cammell and Birkett, and these men will play at centre-forward and outside-right respectively against Germany. With our players in such good form, the Germans may well be apprehensive about the result of the coming game—if apprehensive is the right word to use in relation to a sporting encounter. It will be surprising if the Germans, playing under the difficult and strange English pitch conditions which prevail at this period of the year, manage to escape a heavy defeat.

Chelsea were included among the clubs scoring the first goal and will heavily beaten at the finish.

LOCAL FOOTBALL

Fixtures for the coming week end—
"SUNDAY HERALD" INTERNATIONAL CHARITY CUP COMPETITION
Christmas Day
Scotland v. China, Club Ground, 3.30 p.m. Referee: R. M. Omar, Linesmen: R. M. Chapman and W. P. Payne.
Boxing Day
Wales v. Portugal, Club Ground, 3.30 p.m. Referee: E. G. Isley, Linesmen: W. R. Reynolds and W. C. Twatles.

SATURDAY

(December 28, 1935)

LEAGUE FIXTURES

Division I
South China "B" v. H.K.F.C. (CH2) Referee: E. G. Isley, Linesmen: W. Brierley and J. Butterworth.
Kowloon v. St. Joseph's (K2), Referee: W. R. Reynolds, Linesmen: W. Collier and T. Davies.
Club de Recreo v. Lincolns (KP2) Referee: A. C. Ward, Linesmen: D. W. Ellis and G. E. Goodfellow.
R.A. "L" v. R.A. "S" (S2) Referee: D. Kossick, Linesmen: R. Richardson and H. J. Bland.
Division II
East Lancs v. H.K.F.C. (S1) Referee: W. P. Payne.
Lincolns v. Chinese Athletic (F2) Referee: W. C. Twatles.
University v. Navy (N1) Referee: A. T. Jarmain.
Kowloon v. Club de Recreo (K1) Referee: J. H. Lawrence.
Division III
Liga Portuguesa v. St. Joseph's (J2) Referee: A. Wess Eldina.
R.A.F. v. R.A.M.C. (R2) Referee: A. E. C. Clarke.
Police "C" v. Lincolns (KP1) Referee: J. V. Gomes.

SUNDAY

(December 29, 1935)

Division I

Police v. Navy (K2) Referee: R. M. Omar, Linesmen: C. Mason and T. Evans.
South China "A" v. Chinese Athletic (CH2) Referee: H. F. Scrutton, Linesmen: H. Hammond and C. Lane.
East Lancs v. R.W.F. (S2) Referee: H. Martin, Linesmen: J. Tracey and R. Aldridge.
Division II
R.A.S.C. and R.A.O.C. v. Royal Engineers (C1) Referee: K. K. Ip.
R.W.F. v. Eastern (S1) Referee: R. I. Evans.
Division III
R.W.F. v. East Lancs. (C2) Referee: R. Chapman.
Police "E" v. Royal Engineers (K1) Referee: D. T. Smith.

WEDNESDAY

(January 1, 1936)

Children's Playground Fund Game
Mainland v. Island, Club Ground, 3.30 p.m. Referee: H. F. Scrutton, Linesmen: D. Kossick and E. G. Isley.

Sheffield Wednesday were too strong for them. This match was marred by one of those incidents which one would like to see completely absent from the sport—the dismissal of a player. Bambrick, the Chelsea centre-forward, was the player sent off the field. Derby County moved up to second position again by beating West Bromwich, who have fallen badly. They had one brilliant spell which justified hopes that they might be challengers for the championship. Injuries have pegged them back, however, and their international player, Boyes, was added to the number of their injured players yesterday. A victory for Portsmouth was overdue. It coincided with the visit of Liverpool.

Once more Tottenham Hotspur and Leicester City changed places in the Second Division, the London side taking the lead by reason of superior goal-scoring power. They beat Blackpool. Charlton Athletic beat Leicester by a single goal after failure with a penalty kick. Attention may be drawn to a strange feature of the Second Division table. The Spurs and Leicester, who descended from the First Division last season, are first and second. Third and fourth clubs are Charlton and Doncaster Rovers, who were promoted at the end of last season.

The victory of Norwich City over Bradford City recalls to mind a unique experience shared by these clubs. Soon after the start of the war they were opponents in the Cup competition, and were so evenly matched that they had to meet for the third time. It was not then considered advisable to tempt workers from their wartime activities, so the Football Association ordered the match to be played on the Lincoln City ground without the gates being opened to the public.

GOLF

Starting Times On
Xmas Day At
Fanling

OLD COURSE
9.24 a.m. W. G. Birnie, J. S. Dykes
9.28 " E. dea Vceux, F. M. Ellis
9.32 " C. C. Black, I. H. Geare
9.36 " G. S. Chambers, J. S. Dunnett
9.40 " H. H. Mundy, W. Pater-son
9.44 " H. N. Williamson, J. Forbes
9.48 " A. T. Lay, E. Bathurst
9.52 " G. R. S. Thomson, W. J. S. Key
9.56 " S. T. Bustin, N. K. Littlejohn
10.16 " D. J. Keogh, W. J. E. Mackenzie
10.32 " S. H. Dodwell, G. Marshall

NEW COURSE
9.28 a.m. O. J. Shannon, R. S. Harrison
9.36 " H. and Mrs. Overy
9.44 " B. G. D. and Mrs. Barlow

BOXING DAY

OLD COURSE

9.24 a.m. N. K. Littlejohn, J. Forbes
9.28 " W. G. Birnie, J. S. Dykes
9.32 " D. S. Edward, G. B. S. Thomson
9.36 " S. H. Dodwell, I. H. Geare
9.40 " F. M. Ellis, R. A. Rodgers
9.44 " Col. Williamson, D. J. Mackie
9.48 " A. C. I. Bowker, W. J. Reid
9.52 " D. A. O'Kieffe, A. M. Hirsch
9.56 " C. O. Stark, A. D. Humphreys

VISIT FROM CANTON

Teams Of Sportsmen
For Matches In
Hong Kong

Canton Dec. 22
In response to the invitation from Hong Kong, a number of local athletic teams will go to the British Colony to play a series of football, volleyball and basketball games during the New Year holidays.

The programme is as follows:
Football—Jan. 1, at 4 p.m.
Volleyball—Jan. 2 at 2 p.m.
Basketball—Jan. 2 at 7 p.m.
Names of the local athletes are:
Football—S. S. Chiu, B. K. Wong, Y. D. Lai, L. Y. Lai, Y. C. Chen, W. K. Mol, C. B. Yik, L. F. Tin, C. S. Wal, P. D. Loo and L. K. Chung.
Volleyball—S. S. Chiu, C. S. Chiu, K. Y. Leu, L. Y. Lai, N. F. Lo, C. H. Leung, K. T. Leung, B. K. Wong, W. M. Lui, Y. C. Au, B. C. Yik and K. H. Li.
Basketball—S. S. Chiu, B. K. Hol, C. H. Ng, B. C. Yik and P. C. Wong.

Canton Daily Sun.

Everton's A Great Club But—

London, Nov. 29.
What's going to happen at Goodison Park? Rumours are flying about on the Everton front. The rumours centre round such personalities as Jock Thomson, Charlie Gee and Ben Williams.

These three players are internationals but all of them have been out of the first team in recent weeks.

I have had a word on the matter with Secretary Theo Kelly. Everton are always guarded when transfer talk is in the air. Frankly, Everton have never welcomed that sort of thing. Said Mr. Kelly, "There may be something in the rumours. On the other hand, there may not."

Certainly the rumours have no official backing. One thing that seems to have been forgotten in this business is that the players may not want to leave the club.

Note the last few words.

THE PLAYER'S VIEW

Now, I have been talking to one Everton player about this. He tells me that, hardly one player has agreed to be transferred from the club in recent times and has then been as happy in his new quarters as he was in his old.

This player said: "Not once when I have been unfit have I been paid less than the maximum wages. The Everton club give their players the best of everything. You get an injury. If it even looks like being serious, then you are taken to see a specialist. If it is serious and an operation or any special treatment is necessary, then the player is placed in a nursing home. A great club Everton for players."

Clubs dealing with their players in this fashion are not many. So that makes the rumours less convincing.

But what about the other side of this business? Everton are looking for new players. Just the other day they offered £3500 for one inside forward.

If Everton get the players they are seeking can they regard it as good business and sound economy to carry valuable players such as those mentioned in the second team?

I appreciate what Mr. Theo Kelly had to tell me but there does seem to be something in the rumours.

To the consternation of the guests, the preacher was very late for the ceremony. Years afterwards he met the bridegroom, and taking him by the hand, remarked: "Well, John, it is just ten years ago since I gave you an awful fright."

"Yes," said John, gloomily, "and I've still got her."

SHOWING TO-DAY AT THE MAJESTIC



LAWRENCE TIBBETT

Coming to

KING'S

Fox Film—"METROPOLITAN"



Wills's
GOLD FLAKE
Virginia Cigarettes

BRITAIN'S WONDER SHIP

How The Queen Mary Is Progressing

LUXURIOUS FACILITIES FOR TOURIST PASSENGERS

London, Nov. 30. In reviewing the progress of the work of completing the Queen Mary it is necessary to make some reference to the position when the last inspection was made.

Recently a Press representative was privileged to be conducted over the ship, and briefly it may be said that the impression then made was that as she lay at that time alongside the fitting-out basin, the Queen Mary was essentially British and traditionally Cunard.

At the end of August she was almost a finished structure awaiting the hands of the craftsmen who were to transform a steel shell into a luxury liner, equipped with all the fittings that modern ocean travel demands.

Two months have made a wonderful difference in the process of fitting out, and even the external profile shows the work that has been accomplished. In August only two funnels were erected in the ship. The term erected is used because these funnels are so large that they could not be conveniently lifted into position in the place, as is usually the case when a ship is fitting out.

With all three funnels in place in this ship there are no dummies—the unusual design of these funnels in all being arranged to have differing heights becomes apparent. Measured from the keel, the height of the first funnel is 184 ft., the second 179 ft., and the third 174 ft., and in the spacing of the traditional Cunard black bandings round the funnels no effort has been made to hide the difference in height, because in the first funnel there are three such equally spaced bands, whilst the second and third are graduated.

A PROFILE FEATURE

Another feature of the profile of the ship which will attract attention is the rectangular casings which occur on the sun deck adjacent to the funnels, four on each side. These casings take the place of the well-known ventilator cowls, and each is subdivided into six divisions, each of which is connected to its own ventilating unit.

They have their inlets facing forward, and, contrary to the usual practice, are not arranged for trimming.

All the work on the upper decks is at an advanced stage. The decks are laid, caulked and sealed, and in some areas scraped off, thus giving some indication of the wonderful spaciousness of the upper part of the superstructure.

Or, the navigating bridge work is proceeding rapidly, although none of the navigational equipment is in position as yet. The officers' accommodation on the bridge deck has reached the panelling stage, and it is now possible to visualise the final appearance.

In less than seven months the Queen Mary is scheduled to take place in the North Atlantic service, and although a wonderful amount of work has been done during the last two months, there still remains a vast amount of fitting-out work to be accomplished before the ship can be considered to be in any measure finished.

THE CREW'S FURNITURE

Dealing with the structure as it stands from the forward end, the crew's space is completed even to the berths, mirrors, coat-hooks and paintwork, and it is noteworthy that oak tables and polished wood doors and door frames are used even in this remote part of the ship. Proceeding aft, crossing the break in the fore-castle, it is possible now to see the outstanding arrangements for cargo handling that the Queen Mary possesses.

Grouped round the foremast are six electrically-driven winches with wormgears, each capable of handling six tons at 125 ft. per minute, and each absorbing 220 amperes at 220 volts. These machines are all made by Metro-Vickers and Clyde Winches.

A very unusual arrangement of derricks is being used, three being stowed on the centre line of the ship looking forward and serving the cargo hatch in the fore-castle well, and a further four looking aft at an angle of about 30 degrees to port and starboard serve the after hatch.

On the boat deck on the port side one of the steel-built, mechanically-propelled lifeboats is in position on the Taylor gravity davits. It is stated that it has been lowered into the water in

just over a minute with a full load. Stacked on the deck alongside this lifeboat position is a large pile of pig-iron which had evidently been used for the test, and the paintwork of the lifeboat showed that it had been waterborne.

THE THIRD CLASS

Come by No. 1 tunnel—indeed the uptake rising passes through it—is the third-class dining saloon, and here, apart from the actual furnishing, the work is practically complete, panelling is in position, shelving and display cabinet work is in place, the wooden window framing in the port lights in the ship's side are in position, the oak stairways forming the main entrance are in place, many of the cabins are completed, and the finishing paintwork is in process of being carried out.

Dodging various obstructions and taking the working alleyway for preference because it is really quicker under existing conditions, and an unofficial entrance leads to the first-class swimming bath. In this space, which is carried out in enameled stone-coloured tilework with narrow green tile linings, the work is almost complete. The bath itself is about 40 ft. by 20 ft., and is graded up to the usual six-foot standard, although there are lesser depths marked so that it can still be used in bad weather. On each side stone arches lead to the dressing boxes, shower baths, etc., situated at the after end. At the forward end is a space where a large mirror is to be placed in a central position, and on each side a curved double-way stairway. At the forward end in the centre is what will be a water-chute, and on each side between the archway large fountains will play.

THE DINING SALOON

All round the upper side is a gallery, which communicates directly with the main foyer, and the dining saloon. These apartments, in their present state, are little more than heavily scaffolded spaces, although in the saloon some of the wood panelling in the upper portions of the ceiling is in place. This panelling is perfectly plain with no carving or other decoration than the figuring of the wood and the polish. All this panelling is fire-proof to obviate any possibility of warping and twisting, and it is specially fitted with fabric so that creaking will be avoided.

One of the features of this wonderful ship when finished will be the promenade deck and the public rooms which are situated upon it. In all of which daylight is available. Indeed, it may be truly said that the Queen Mary will be known as the daylight ship, because every effort has been made to ensure a maximum of daylight in all these rooms. Now that many of the windows have been cut and fitted, the effect of this most unusual provision is becoming apparent.

THE ASSEMBLY ROOM

Probably the most striking instance is provided in the main hall, which, situated at the top of the main staircase, will constitute the principal meeting-place of the ship. Over 111 ft. in length, and with walls treated in a fine figured chestnut, this assembly room also forms the shopping centre of the ship, where, in addition to outfitters, tobacconists and florists shops, there will be no fewer than 12 showcases, some of which will be 25 ft. in length. A large decorative fountain will be a distinctive feature, whilst indicative of the amazing service the Queen Mary will provide for ship-to-shore telephony, two telephone kiosks from which long-distance calls can be made are to be installed.

THE VERANDAH CAFE

Walking aft along the sun deck, the verandah cafe is the next of the large spaces meriting special mention. This is one of the few rooms in the ship in which wood panelling will not form a special feature. This magnificent room,

LOCAL FOOTBALL

JUNIOR SHIELD REPLAY

Air Force Defeated By Wide Margin

Forcing the Engineers to a draw in their first game of the Junior Shield, the Royal Air Force suffered a four nil defeat yesterday in a replay on the Kowloon Football ground.

The game was fast and interesting throughout and although the Air Force were not disgraced. The Engineers played better football and their forwards combined to a nicety. It was a hard fought first fifteen minutes but thereafter the Engineers in intermediate line ably led by their pivot had control of the Air Force and were soon on the ascendancy.

The Engineers scored four times during the game without a reply from the Air Force and thoroughly deserved their win.

HOME FOOTBALL

F.A. Cup 2nd Round

London, Dec. 23. Meeting for the third time in the second round of the Football Association Cup at Newcastle today Hartlepool and Halifax had to play extra time before a decision could be reached.

Then during those 20 minutes the Halifax defence collapsed and Hartlepool piled on three goals to win by four goals to one. Hartlepool, thus qualify to play at home to Grimsby in the third round.

over 70 ft. in length, is to be the setting for gay mural paintings occupying an area of over 1,000 square feet, and which are being carried out by Miss Doris Zinkert. Another distinctive feature of this room will be the broad sweep of 22 windows looking out on to one of the spacious games decks and out to sea.

On the promenade deck one of the sights will be the stateroom, which is situated at the after end of the first-class accommodation, and extends through three decks. The position of this room in relation to the ship can be appreciated when it is stated that the step of the main mast of the ship projects into the after bulkhead of this room by about 2 ft.

Like the other great rooms and spaces on this deck this room is at present only a steel-framed structure full of scaffolding. At the moment large ventilation ducts are being placed in position in the upper portions of the triple-stepped ceiling.

TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

Excepting the machinery spaces, the tourist accommodation is probably the most advanced section of the ship when taken as a whole, and will probably also be the most popular. Never before in the history of North Atlantic travel will such lavish provision have been made for the ever-increasing number of passengers who travel in this class.

Some of the following will give a vague idea of the unprecedented facilities provided for tourist passengers in the Queen Mary. The stateroom accommodation extends over five decks and over 80 per cent. of the rooms have adjoining private bathroom and lavatories. Each room is fitted with mahogany bedsteads, supplied with hot and cold water, and has its own system of ventilation which passengers can control individually.

OUTSTANDING FEATURE

The tourist public rooms include an air-conditioned dining saloon nearly 80 ft. in length, and extending the full width of the ship, a smoking room, cocktail bar, library (with provision for 1,500 books), a children's playroom, a popular feature of which will be a model railway, two lounges, one of which will serve on occasion as a talkie cinema and ballroom, and a writing room.

Perhaps the most outstanding feature will be the large swimming pool which, carried out in a decorative scheme of blue and silver, is already practically completed, together with the adjoining gymnasium.

Thus the after end of this great ship is reached, and each section seems to contain ample space in itself to be a separate entity. Looking from aft, for example, it seems scarcely credible that the extensive promenade deck alone is possible within the confines of a single hull.

IF LONDON IS BOMBED

SAFETY OF THE CIVIL POPULATION

Great New Housing Scheme

London, Dec. 4. In response to a Home Office circular of July 9, which drew the attention of local authorities to the precautionary measures which the Government considered would be necessary for safe-guarding the civil population from the effects of air attacks, the General Purposes Committee of the London County Council have agreed to the following proposals which will be discussed by the Council on Tuesday.

Sending selected members of the London Fire Brigade to Government courses for gas instruction; Consideration of plans for the use of the Council's hospitals as casualty clearing stations and base hospitals, and for the use of the ambulance service for the transport of casualties from the first-aid posts; and

Co-operation between officers of the L.C.C. and other authorities in the preparation of plans regarding fire protection and the maintenance of essential services.

In addition to those proposals, scheme covering all activities concerned with the treatment of casualties, including the decontamination of personnel, in the local areas wholly or partly within the Metropolitan Police district, is being prepared by the appropriate Government department.

"NATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY." The General Purposes Committee of the Council state in their report:

It is our earnest hope that it will never be necessary to put into operation precautions against air attack, and that the Government will make every effort to bring about by international agreement a state of affairs in which an occasion could not arise.

We desire to emphasize that the protection of the population against air attacks is a national and not a local responsibility. It is important that an impression should not be created that the L.C.C. is able to provide protection against the effects of air raids, and it would be unwise for the public to expect security as a result of the action which the Government asks the Council to take.

BIG HOUSING SCHEME

A site of 434 acres, embracing parts of Chigwell, Dagenham, and Ilford, may be acquired by the L.C.C. for housing purposes. The land is mainly used for grazing, and has been selected by the Council's Housing and Public Health Committee as suitable for development as a cottage estate.

The cost of acquisition under a compulsory purchase order is estimated at £175,000. This includes part development of the area.

In a report which will come before the L.C.C. a fortnight hence the Housing Committee explain that the site is bounded on the north by Manor-road, on the south by New North-road, which also intersects the portion forming the south-eastern corner; on the east by Romford-road; and on the west by the Woodford and Ilford branch line of the L.N.E.R.

Three hundred and six acres of the site are in the urban district of Chigwell, and fifty-six acres in Ilford.

LONDON HEARS ADDIS ABABA

Broadcast in English

The voice of Addis Ababa was heard in London recently, for the first time since the opening of hostilities between Italy and Abyssinia.

Mr. Robert McLean, of the Columbia Broadcasting System, America, broadcast an account from Addis Ababa of how the residents there are living in the shadow of the conflict.

Reception in England was at loudspeaker strength and better than that of many Continental stations, though the broadcast was not relayed.

Mr. McLean said it might be the last broadcast ever made from Ethiopia. Tomorrow Italian planes may fly over Addis Ababa.

CRICKET

Royal Navy Lose To Army In Triangular Tournament

The Army defeated the Royal Navy in their annual Triangular Tournament cricket match on the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground by five wickets, after the Senior Service had been 102 runs behind in the last innings.

The Army, scored 249 for 8 wickets in their first occupation of the wicket, and yesterday the Navy faced a formidable task to knock up the required runs to avoid an innings defeat. Against good bowling by Lt. Garthwaite, the Hong Kong Interport player, they could do little, and at one period it looked as if they would fall to do so. However, a late rally saved them from an innings defeat, but they could only muster 127 runs—which left the Army 25 runs to a win.

Lt. Garthwaite took 7 wickets for 48 runs, while C. M. S. Elvin and Corp. Ballard continued the good work by capturing 2 wickets for 19 runs, and 1 wicket for 38 runs respectively.

The Army sent in their "tail-enders" first and lost 5 men before the required runs were knocked off.

FIRE WAS IN A DUST-BIN

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DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS

Hong Kong Stock Exchange Sharebrokers' Association

TUESDAY, DEC. 24.							
Buyers	Sellers	Share	Share	Buyers	Sellers	Share	Share
Banks							
\$1.470	...	H.K. Bank	\$1.480	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. (London)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Chartered Bank	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. (London)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Bank of East Asia	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. (London)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	N.O. & S. Bank	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Am. O. Fin. Corp.	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Ch. Fin. Corp. Ord.	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. (Prof. S.)	...	...	...	...	...
Insurance							
\$370	...	Canton Insurance	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Underwriters	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Union Insurance	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	China Fire	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Shanghai Fire	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	International Assn. S.	...	...	...	...	...
Shipping							
...	...	Longlake	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Steamboat	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Indos (pref.)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. (def.)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Shells	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Waterfront	...	...	...	...	...
Mining							
...	...	Antamoks	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Baguio Gold	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Benguet Consolidated	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. Exploration	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. Goldfield	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Big Wedge	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Gold River	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Gold Creek	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	United Paracales	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Salacot Mining	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Ipo Mining	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Ilogona	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Katanga	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Langkato (single)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Explorations	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Shanghai Loans	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Rauba	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Venerable Gold Flds.	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Docks, Wharves	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Godown, etc.	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	H.K. & E. Wharves	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. (old)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Providents (old)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	H.K. & W. Docks	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	S. China Motors	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. "B"	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Shanghai Docks	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	New Engineering	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Hongkong	...	...	...	...	...
Lands, Hotels, and Buildings							
...	...	H.K. Hotels	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	H.K. Lands	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. 42 Debutures	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Shanghai Lands	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Metropolitan Lands	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	H.K. Estates	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	China Do.	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. Debutures	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Humphreys	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	New Asia Hotel	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Asia Realities	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. "B"	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...	...	...
Cotton Mills							
...	...	Ewos	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Shin Cotton Mills	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Zhong Shing	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Wing On Textiles	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Public Utilities	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Freeways	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Peak Trams (old)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Star Ferries	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Yau-mat Ferries	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	China Lights	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	H.K. Electric	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Macao Do.	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Sandakan Light	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Telephones (old)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	China Buses	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Tramways	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. (pref.)	...	...	...	...	...
Industries							
...	...	Malabon Sugars	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Caldwell, (ord.)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Macgregors (pref.)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Canton Ice	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Cements	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Ropes	...	...	...	...	...
Miscellaneous							
...	...	Dairy Farms	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Amusements	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Ch. Entertainment	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Constructions (old)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Lane Crawford	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Macintosh	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Nanyang Tobacco	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Sincere	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Watsons	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Wm. Fowells	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	M. Greyhound	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	S. O. Catering	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Ch. G. 6/12/25/3 Bds.
...	...	H.K. Gorth 42 Loans
...	...	Do. 42
...	...	Wallace Harper
...	...	H.K. Wing On
...	...	Shai Do
...	...	Vibro Piling

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Antamoks, \$117 XD
Baguio Gold, 151 cts
Beng Explorations, 101 cts
Big Wedge, 101 cts
Salacots, 15 cts
United Paracales, 28 cts
Hotels, \$515
Lands, \$354
Humphreys, \$101
Wharves, \$94
Providents (old), \$14
Yau-mat Ferries, \$17

Lights, Rights, \$435
Electric, \$89
Telephones (old), \$251
Telephones (new), \$82
Canton Ice, \$150 XD
Cements, \$840
Dairy Farms, \$194
Constructions (new), 30 cts
Lane, Crawford, \$24
Sincere, \$135
Wing On (Shai), \$434
Gold & Bonds, 914

Sales
Banks, \$1500
Antamoks, \$120 XD
Humphreys, \$101
Lands, Rights, \$440
Electric, \$89
Telephones (old), \$251/2540
Cements, \$81
Gold & Bonds, 914

BRENTFORD ACQUIRE NEW PLAYER

Heavy Fee For McCulloch

London, Nov. 30.
Brentford have followed Aston Villa, their neighbours in distress at the foot of the First Division table, into the transfer market.
Yesterday the London club signed McCulloch, the Heart of Midlothian and Scottish centre-forward, for a £5,000 fee. Thus with the transfer of Richards from Wolverhampton Wanderers on Thursday, Brentford have spent £10,000 in two days in an effort to find players to stop their relegation slide.
McCulloch and Richards will make their debut for Brentford in the Griffin Park game with Leeds United to-day. The Scot leads the attack, and it is possible that Holliday—who has been the regular centre for some time—will occupy one of the inside forward positions.
The Welsh international, Richards is at left-half. McKenzie returns to the other flank after suspension, and Bateman is fit to reappear at right-back.
These are trying days for Brentford, who have lost four of their last five games. They will find Leeds a very tough proposition, and may have to be content with one point. Leeds have only been beaten once in their last 11 games.

CUP CLASHES
Meanwhile, the football season is moving along on greased wheels. More than a third of the League programme is completed, and to-day comes the First Round Proper of the Cup.
Thirty-four cup-ties are being played this afternoon, and all the Third Division clubs are concerned with the exception of Millwall, Luton, and Stockport County.
Everyone will be anxious to know the fate of the Corinthians in their tie at Reading. The famous old club are stronger than last season, I am told, but I am afraid they have been set too heavy a task against the leaders of the Third Southern section.
The draw has decreed that four more well-known Southern amateur clubs face professional opponents, but in each instance they have the advantage of playing at home.

With Dulwich Hamlet, Watlington Avenue, Nunhead, and Southall all meeting Third Southern teams London is well catered for.

SUNDERLAND'S TEST
But the real interest is still in the League, and to-day's programme is as attractive as any we have had this season.
Sunderland, with 11 points from their last six games, are certainly playing like champions. Can Everton check their winning sequence?
This match at Goodison Park promises to be one of the best of the day, and I do not think Sunderland will be beaten. On "form," of course, Everton should win, as only a week ago they triumphed 4-0 at Grimsby, where Sunderland suffered their heaviest reverse of the season.

ARSENAL DROP HULME
Another game that should be packed with thrills is Huddersfield v. Arsenal, at Huddersfield. If Arsenal can maintain their recent improvement and make the full points, their challenge to leaders will become very real.
It is a critical fixture for the champions, who are taking the unusual step of changing a winning team. Hulme is dropped from the attack and his place is being taken by Rodgers, who has been at outside-left in the last two weeks. Bastin's partner on the left wing is Beasley.
Arsenal's management believe that the switch-over will make for greater thrust in attack. Certainly they will need every ounce of it. Huddersfield are unbeaten on their own ground, where they have conceded only two goals so far.

POINTS FOR DERBY?
Like Sunderland and Huddersfield, Derby County still maintain an unbeaten home record. A fortnight ago they allowed Birmingham to get away with a point, but I do not think the slip will be repeated this afternoon.
Their visitors are West Bromwich Albion, who, with a weakened side, lost at home to Huddersfield last Saturday. With Pearson back in goal, W. G. Richardson leading the attack in place of Alsop, and Wood on the left wing, the Albion will be much stronger, but it should be Derby's match.
Middlesbrough, at home to Manchester City, have an opportunity

to restore the confidence of their supporters. They have a fine set of forwards, but only one victory from the last half-dozen matches.

As the City defence is not as good as it was six weeks ago, especially in away games, Middlesbrough are the likely winners.

VILLA'S CHANCES
All the six teams at the bottom of the table have home fixtures, with the exception of Grimsby, who may meet with their third successive defeat at Preston.

I think Aston Villa will begin the upward move that everybody is anticipating. With all their new men available, including Williams, the wins forward from Huddersfield, they should beat Stoke City at Villa Park.

Williams is at outside-right, Houghton moving to the other wing to the exclusion of Drinkwater. There are half-back changes: Wood goes to right-half in place of the injured Gardner, and McCulloch comes in on the other flank.

Receiving Blackburn Rovers, Wolverhampton Wanderers should secure full points. There is merit in the Wolves' young team, and if their forwards would only open out the game they should make rapid headway.

To find Chelsea and Birmingham in the top half of the table at this stage of the season is a distinct novelty. But they are there on merit and I am prepared to see both make a point to-day, though they are playing away from home.

Chelsea's team is unchanged for the visit to Sheffield Wednesday. Birmingham, who are at Bolton, will have Steel at left-back.

SECOND DIVISION
Two matches which are likely to have important bearing on the Second Division promotion race are staged in London. Leicester City, the leaders, visit Charlton Athletic, while Tottenham Hotspur—now in second place—receive close rivals in Blackpool.

Leicester are likely to find Charlton difficult to beat. Indeed, the newly promoted side, who bring back Allen to centre-forward, may continue their successful run at the expense of the promotion pace-makers.

If Leicester lose, Spurs will probably go to the top of the table. Their task against Blackpool is by no means easy, but ground advantage should swing the result their way.

Another attractive London game is the Fulham-West Ham clash at Craven Cottage. An open-looking affair, this, for both clubs are now playing their best football. As it is, I think West Ham are quite capable of saving a point.

In the North there is yet another intriguing fixture. This is the meeting between Manchester United and Doncaster Rovers, clubs still in the promotion running.

The United now seem to have recovered from an indifferent spell, but they will have to fight desperately hard to upset their Yorkshire rivals.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS
The P. & O. steamer "Soudan" left Singapore for this port on the 21st instant at 10 a.m. and is due here to-morrow at about noon.
The B.I. steam ship "Talma" will leave for Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Osaka on or about Friday, 27th December, 1935, at 6 a.m.

The s.s. "Potsdam" will arrive here on the 26th instant at 4 p.m. and will berth alongside Kowloon Wharf. She will leave here at 4 a.m. on the 27th instant.

The P. & O. steamer "Naldara" is scheduled to leave Shanghai for this port on the 24th instant at p.m., and is expected to due here on the 27th instant at about a.m.

THE EXCHANGE MARKET

MESSRS. ROZA BROS.

The price for spot silver dropped 7/16, and quotations being 21 5/16. Silver advances reported America as having bought 10% of the offerings.

In New York the rate was quoted at 50 1/2 for spot.
The London/New York cross-rate was slightly lower at 4.93 1/2 and the New York/London rate dropped 3/8 to 4.92 1/2.

MARKET
Quiet, the underdone was not robust. Business was slack.

STERLING
Transactions were arranged during the course of the morning at 1/3 9/16 for December and 1/3 1/2 for January. Later offers at 1/3 1/2 were accepted for first half of January and 1/3 7/16 was also fixed for January delivery. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 1/3 1/2 for December/first half of January, buyers at 1/16 higher respectively.

U.S. DOLLARS
Business was done at 32 for cash. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 31 1/2 for December, 31 13/16 for first half of January and 31 1/2 for January, buyers at 1/8 higher respectively.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS
Sellers were quoted at 108 for spot.

SHANGHAI MARKET
There were sellers of Sterling at 1/24 for spot and U.S. Dollars at 29 1/2 for spot.

IN THE AFTERNOON
The market was quiet in the afternoon.

STERLING
In Sterling no business was reported, finishing with sellers at 1/3 1/2 for December, 1/3 7/16 for January and 1/3 5/16 for February, buyers at 1/16 higher respectively.

U.S. DOLLARS
A small business was arranged at 31 1/2 for the first half of January. The market closed with sellers at 31 13/16 for December and 31 1/2 for January, buyers at 1/8 higher respectively.

H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE

YESTERDAY'S OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

Further improvement in the rates have taken place in the market and a fair amount of business has been transacted, the market closing firm with an all round enquiry for shares.

BUYERS

Hong Kong Banks, \$1490
Bank of East Asia, \$73
Canton Insurance, \$270
Union Insurance, \$572 1/2
Gold Creek, 30 cts
Venz. Goldfields, \$3
Wharves (Old), \$94
Wharves (New), \$91 1/2
Providents (C.O.), \$4 1/2
Hode's, \$5.30
Hong Kong Lands, \$354
Humphreys, \$10.20
H. K. Realities, \$5.30
Hong Kong Trams, \$14 1/2
Peak Trams (Old), \$5
Star Ferries, \$39
Yau-mat Ferries, \$17
China Lights, \$10.45
Telephones (old), \$25.35
Telephones (new), \$26.60
Cements, \$44
H. K. Ropes, \$44
Dairy Farms, \$19 1/2
Lane, Crawford, \$84
Sincere's, \$1.60

SELLERS

Electric, \$76
SALES
Hong Kong Banks, \$1495/1500
Canton Insurance, \$275
Union Insurance, \$575
Providents (Old), \$145
Hong Kong Lands, \$354
Humphreys, \$10.20
Hong Kong Trams, \$14.55
China Lights, \$10.40
Electric, \$89 1/2
Telephones (old), \$25.35
Telephones (new), \$26 1/2
Dairy Farms, \$19 1/2

ETHIOPIAN REPORT

Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).
Addis Ababa, Dec. 23.
Fighting on the northern front seems to have degenerated into mere skirmishing. The Abyssinian troops are reported to have made further progress and are already four miles from Aksum. No further action is reported from the southern front.
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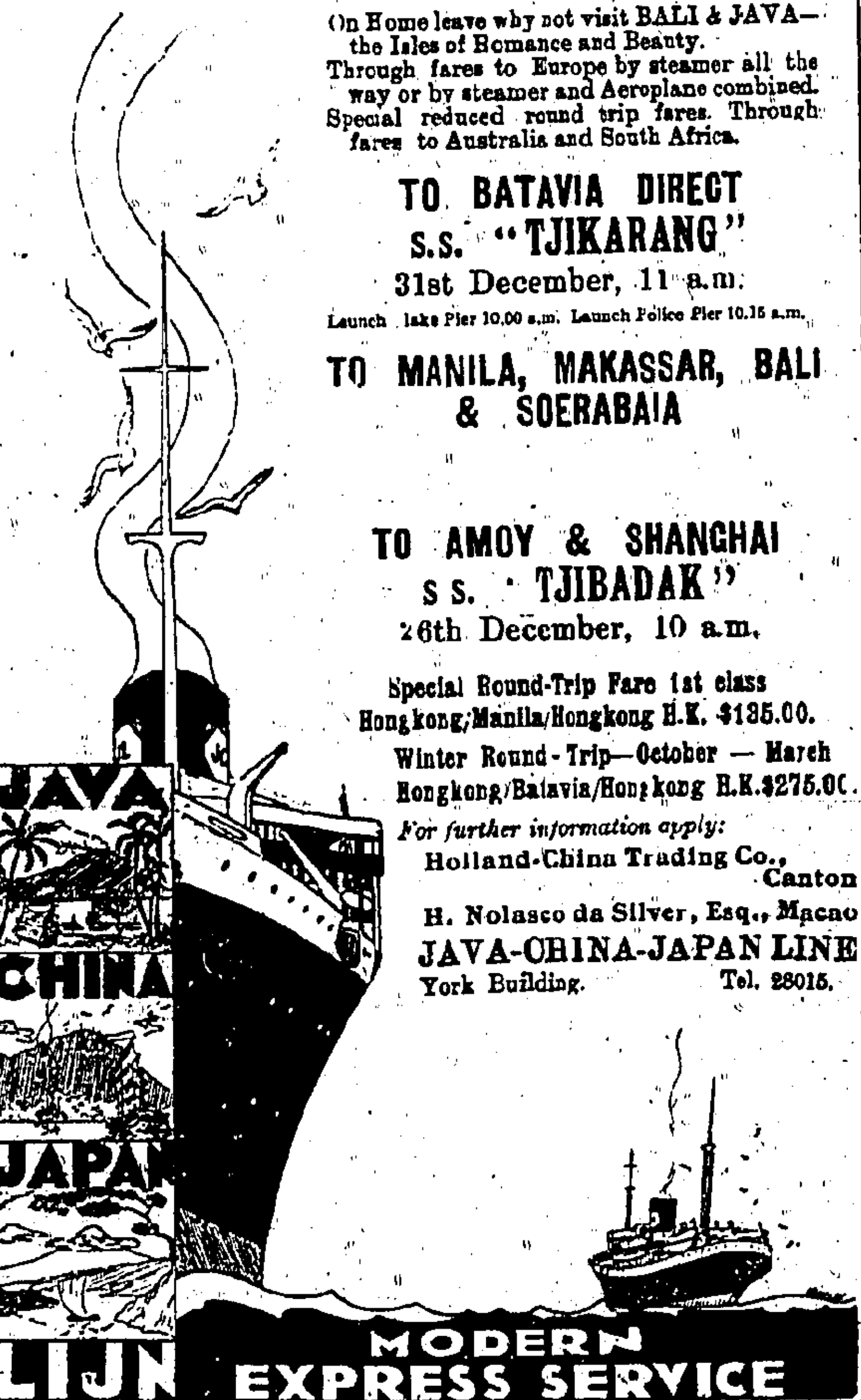
ARRIVALS FROM EUROPE

S.S. Neckar 10 a.m. Jan. 11th	S.S. Oder 10 a.m. Jan. 17th
S.S. Stuttgart 10 a.m. Jan. 15th	S.S. Gneisenau 10 a.m. Feb. 4th

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 16th Jan., 1936, or they will not be recognized.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st Dec. 1935, at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.
Hong Kong, 24th Dec., 1935. [4076]

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on 30th Dec., 1935.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
E. OHL, Agent.
Hong Kong, 24th December, 1935. [4075]

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE)

	December 21.	December 23.
Paris	74 51/64	74-25 3/2
Geneva	15.20	15.81
Berlin		12.281
Athens		611
Milan		
Shanghai		
New York	4.92 15/16	4.921
Amsterdam	7.371	7.27
Vienna	1191	119
Prague		
Bucharest	36 3/32	
Madrid		
Lisbon	1/31	1/3-9/16
Hong Kong	29.28	29.27
Brussels		39-11/16
Montevideo		
Belgrade		
Montreal	4.961	4.961
Yokohama		
Helsingfors		
Rio		
Buenos Aires		
Silver (Spot)		21-5/16
Silver (forward)		
War Loan		1091

Closing Quotations

December 24, 1935.		On New York:	
On LONDON:		Bank Bills, on demand 31/9/16	
Telegraphic Transfer...	1 3/4	Credits, 60 days' sight 32/9/16	
Bank Bills, on demand		ON BATAVIA:	
Bank Bills, 4 months'		On demand	48 1/2
sight	1/31	ON PARIS:	
Credits, four months'	1/4	Bank Bills, on demand 47 1/2	
ON SHANGHAI:		Credits, 4 months' sight 500	
On Demand	106 1/2	ON SAIGON:	
ON SINGAPORE:		On demand	47 1/2
On demand	54 1/2	ON MANILA:	
ON JAPAN:		On demand	63 1/2
On demand	106 1/2	ON BANGKOK:	
ON INDIA:		On demand	144 1/2
Telegraphic Transfer...	1 3/4	SOVEREIGNS, Bank Buying	
Bank, on demand	1 3/4	Rate	1/32
		BAR SILVER, per oz.	21 5/16

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

(Through Reuters Agency)

QUOTATIONS

New York, December 23.		High	Low	Last	Today's	Change
New York/London Cross-rate				4.83 1/2	4.92 1/2	off
New York Cotton—Mar.	11.35	11.28	11.20	11.30	03 off	
New York Rubber—Mar.	13.48	13.45	13.48	13.46	02 off	
Chicago Wheat—May.	10 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	off	
Chicago Corn—May.	60 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2	off	
Silver—Official				unquoted 60 1/2		

Dow Jones Averages		High—1934/35	Low: Dec. 21.	Dec. 23.	Change
30 Industrials	148.94	96.71	140.19	140.06	32 up
20 Rails	41.84	27.31	39.76	39.47	29 off
20 Utilities	39.96	14.42	28.33	28.35	02 up
40 Bonds	98.31	93.43	97.57	98.04	11 up
11 Commodity Index	62.10	53.45	56.26	56.23	06 off

Business Done:—1,910,000 shares.

Last Sale		Dec. 21 Dec. 23		Last Sale		Dec. 21 Dec. 23	
Stock & Div.				Stock & Div.			
Adams Express	111 1/2	107		Gold Dust (1.20)	19 1/2	19 1/2	
Amer. Can. (4)	132	134 1/2		Goodyear	21	20 1/2	
Am. Cyanamid "B"				Int. Cement			
(25d.)	28 1/2	28 1/2		Int. Nick (50)	44 1/2	44 1/2	
Am. For. Pwr. \$7 1st	61	61		Int. Tel. & Tel.	12 1/2	12 1/2	
Pf.				Johns Manville			
Am. Locomotive	23 1/2	23 1/2		Kennecott (151)	27 1/2	28 1/2	
Am. Radiator	23 1/2	23 1/2		Loew's (1)	51 1/2	51 1/2	
Am. Smelting	58 1/2	58 1/2		Lorill (1.20)	23 1/2	24	
Am. T. and T. (9)	152	153		Mont. Ward	39	38 1/2	
Am. Tob. "B" (5)	95 1/2	96 1/2		Nat. City Bk. (1)	338 1/2	338 1/2	
Am. Waterworks (1)	20 1/2	20 1/2		Nat. Da. P. (1.20)	20 1/2	20 1/2	
Am. Waterworks \$6				Nat. Distillers	31 1/2	30 1/2	
pref. (6)	90	90 1/2		Nat. Pwr. Lt. (50)			
Anaconda Copper	27 1/2	28 1/2		N.Y. Central	27 1/2	27	
Atch. T. and S. F.				N. Amer. (50c. 4 1/2)	25 1/2	25 1/2	
(25d.)				Pac. Gas (1.50)	30 1/2	30 1/2	
Auburn Automobile	36 1/2	36 1/2		Pac. Lng. (3)			
Baltimore & Ohio	15 1/2	16 1/2		Packard Motors	7 1/2	6 1/2	
Bethlehem Steel	42 1/2	41 1/2		Penn. Rly. (1)	30	29 1/2	
Boeing Airplane	99	99		Phil. Petro (1)	36 1/2	36 1/2	
Borden Co. (1.50)				Pub. Ser. N.J. (2.80)	42 1/2	43	
Borg. Warner (1d.)				Radio Corp.	13	12 1/2	
Cage	96 1/2	98		Rey. Tob. "G" (5)			
Canadian Pacific	11	10 1/2		Schenley			
Caterpillar Tract.				Sears Roebuck	54 1/2	55	
Ch. Nat. Bk. (1.40)	42 1/2	42 1/2		Soc. Vac. (50)	64 1/2	64 1/2	
C'Peaks Corp. (2.50)	56 1/2	56 1/2		Srn. Cal. Ed. (1.50)	141	131	
C'Peaks Corp. and				Southern Pacific	24 1/2	23 1/2	
Ohio (2.50)	50 1/2	50 1/2		Stan. Brands (1)	22 1/2	22 1/2	
Chrysler (1d)	90	92 1/2		Stan. Gas	14 1/2	15	
Col. Gas & Elec.	13 1/2	13		Sta. Oil N.Y. (1)	5 1/2	5 1/2	
Comm. Solv. (40)	85 1/2	85 1/2		Ster. Pro. (2.80)	64	64	
Comm. Sthrn.	21	21		Studebaker Corp.			
Comm. Sthrn. \$6				Texas G. Sulp. (2)	31	31 1/2	
Coca-Cola (28)				Transamerica (1.12)	12 1/2	12 1/2	
Cum. Ft. (6)	30	30 1/2		Un. Car. and Carb.			
Cons. Gas. N.Y. (2)				(1.40)	70	70	
Cont. Oil (25)	32	33		Un. Pac. Rly. (5)	104 1/2	104 1/2	
Corn Prod. (3)	42 1/2	43 1/2		Un. Aircraft Corp.	27 1/2	27	
Douglas Aircraft	42 1/2	45 1/2		Un. Air Line Trans.	13	12 1/2	
Du Pont (2.80)	137	137		United Corp.	61	61	
Elec. Bond & Share	15	15 1/2		Unl. Gas. Imp. (1.20)	41 1/2	42	
Elec. Bond \$5 Pf. (5)	73 1/2	75		Univ. Leaf Tob. (2)	17	17	
Exc. Film "A"				U.S. Indus. Alcohol	68	67 1/2	
Gen. Elec. (50)	201	201		U.S. Rubber	144	144	
Gen. Foods (1.50)	32 1/2	32 1/2		U.S. Steel	46 1/2	46 1/2	
Gen. Motors (1.4)	54 1/2	55 1/2		Vandium	18 1/2	18 1/2	
Gen. Elv. Sys. (1)	109 1/2	109 1/2		Warner Bros. Pict.	91	91	
				West. E. & M. (2.5)	94 1/2	94 1/2	
				Call Money	4 1/2	4 1/2	

INT'L BANKING SURVEY

RECOVERY IN COMMODITY PRICES

Exchange stability

With "The Statist" in the middle of November is presented the Annual International Banking Survey, the introductory article to which is devoted to a consideration of the attitude of Central Banks to the Recovery in Commodity Prices. It is pointed out that for eight months we have enjoyed exchange stability virtually equal to that we should have enjoyed had an effective gold standard been in operation, and that under such conditions the level of international commerce has staged its most pronounced advance since the slump of 1929 began. While the recovery has admittedly been due in part to certain ephemeral influences, such as the War scare, there have nevertheless been forces of a more fundamental character. In particular, there has been a genuine expansion in the industrial consumption of raw materials in the United States and throughout the sterling area. In the United Kingdom industrial production rose by 10 per cent. in 1934 over 1933 and during the current year is running at a level of 6 per cent. higher than 1934. In the United States the recovery has been even steeper. As between 1933 and 1934 the rise was one of some 1 per cent. only, while this year there has been a rise of some 10 per cent. on the corresponding 1934 figures. This tendency towards expanding production affords the real explanation of the current recovery in commodity prices.

ABUNDANCE OF CREDIT
"The Statist" asserts that all purely monetary conditions for a further rise in commodity prices are satisfied to-day. In this country, there is an existing abundance of credit which has not yet felt the expansionist influence that must ultimately be exerted by the revaluation of the country's gold reserves and which will provide a metallic reserve far outstripping in its expansionist potentialities anything ever experienced. Nevertheless, the authorities' hold on the situation remains firm and undisputed, as was demonstrated convincingly last month when the increased tension in the international political field appeared to urge the desirability of a temporary tightening of the credit rein. By dint of certain immobilisation of resources in Government accounts at the Bank of England, the clearing banks were quickly made aware of a diminution in the basis of bank cash on which they were working. In the United States, where the banking system has already felt the reactions of the revaluation of the gold reserve, the situation has given rise to some misgivings, but the means for neutralising the inflationary dangers inherent in the position are ready to hand under the New Banking Act, under which the Administration has power to increase minimum reserve requirements of member banks until they are double their present figures.

FOCAL CENTRES
Though the monetary situation in the two focal centres is therefore ready to assist the recovery in prices, it is a situation which remains fully under control and it may be assumed that the will to allow the movement to make further headway is still present. Sterling prices have on balance been little more than maintained since the Macmillan Committee urged that "the restoration of the international price level should be a prime object of international statesmanship." The aim behind the arbitrary experimentation in currency and taken by President Roosevelt has been the recovery of the dollar price level to the 1929 figure, to reach which United States prices have still to rise some 10 per cent.

A copy of "The Statist" Annual International Banking Number has been forwarded for favour of review.

BERLIN SHARE MARKET

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Although the source is a copy for three days owing to the Xmas vacation, the business on Monday in the share market was lively. Investors showing a disposition to venture. The favourite stocks went higher and influenced the rest of the market in a sympathetic upward trend. The chief cause for this buoyancy are the satisfactory economic reports among other things, the announcement that the East- or Benz cars have tripled their exports. Fixed interest securities were also firmer, the Reich's and Prussian loan rising 3/8 while provincial loans were also firmer. Call money was at 2 1/2 to 3.

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SINGAPORE RAW RUBBER

Latest Singapore Prices

H. B. JOSEPH & CO.
Messrs H. B. Joseph & Co. received the following quotations in Straits Currency from Singapore for Raw Rubber.

	Buyers	Sellers
Spot	21 1/2 Unch.	22 1/2
Jan./Mar.	22 1/2 down	22 1/2
Apr./June	22 1/2 down	23
July/Sept.	23 1/2 down	23 1/2

Market—Quiet. London & Liverpool stocks up 1,458 tons. Rubber Market will be closed until December 30th 1935.

REICHSMARK QUOTATIONS

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Reichsmark quotations (without guarantee):

New York	40.23
Paris	809.26
Amsterdam	55.245
London	12.2725
Paris Sterling	74.83 to 87
Paris Dollar	15.1825 to 188

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DUTCH-GERMAN TRADE AGREEMENT

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Beilin, Dec. 23.

An agreement regulating the trade between Holland and Germany for next year, was signed on Monday evening at the Foreign Office here. The new agreement provides for a larger import of agricultural products from Holland, especially butter and eggs, and cheese than in the past year, while German exports to Holland will be limited to the same extent as hitherto.

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	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Arrive
E/Japan	Jan. 14	Jan. 16	Jan. 19	Jan. 21	Jan. 27	Feb. 1	
E/Asia	Jan. 29	Jan. 31	Feb. 3	Feb. 4	Feb. 6	Feb. 10	
E/Canada	Feb. 11	Feb. 13	Feb. 16	Feb. 18	Feb. 25	Mar. 1	
E/Russia	Feb. 26	Feb. 28	Mar. 1	Mar. 3	Mar. 5	Mar. 14	
E/Japan	Mar. 8	Mar. 8	Mar. 11	Mar. 13	Mar. 19	Mar. 24	
E/Asia	Mar. 20	Mar. 22	Mar. 24	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	April 6	
E/Canada	April 3	April 5	April 8	April 10	April 17	April 22	
E/Russia	April 17	April 19	April 21	April 23	April 25	May 4	
E/Japan	May 1	May 3	May 6	May 8	May 14	May 19	
E/Asia	May 15	May 17	May 19	May 21	May 23	June 1	
E/Canada	May 29	May 31	June 3	June 5	June 12	June 17	
E/Russia	June 12	June 14	June 16	June 18	June 20	June 29	
E/Japan	June 26	June 28	July 1	July 3	July 9	July 14	
E/Asia	July 10	July 12	July 14	July 16	July 18	July 27	
E/Canada	July 24	July 26	July 29	July 31	Aug. 7	Aug. 12	

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SEATTLE & VANCOUVER.	
HIYE MARU	(Starts from Kobe) Wednesday, 25th Dec.
HEIAN MARU	(Starts from Kobe) Monday, 20th Jan.
LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM.	
HARUNA MARU	Saturday, 4th Jan.
KATORI MARU	Saturday, 18th Jan.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila and Port.	
ATSUTA MARU	Saturday, 28th Dec.
KAMO MARU	Saturday, 20th Jan.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.	
TOYAMA MARU	Saturday, 28th Dec.
GENOA MARU	Monday, 30th Dec.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.	
HEIYO MARU	Tuesday, 4th Feb.
NEW YORK via Panama.	
NOBUHITO MARU	Saturday, 28th Dec.
NARUTO MARU	Tuesday, 14th Jan.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus, Genoa and Valencia.	
DURBAN MARU	Friday, 10th Jan.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.	
NAGATO MARU	Sunday, 29th Dec.
TOBA MARU	Monday, 6th Jan.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	
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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Clearances, Ships in Harbour, etc.

NEWS FROM THE WATERFRONT

Freight And Asiatic Passengers Returns

(BY LONGSHOREMAN.)

The freight returns, received from the Harbour Office during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, show a considerably high tonnage movement, a large proportion of which being contributed by Japanese ships.

The total tonnage of general cargo carried by vessels to the Colony was 9,429 tons, with British steamers carrying 522 tons.

Through cargo for ports beyond the Colony amounted to 30,948 tons, of which 8,644 tons were carried by British steamers. Asiatic deck passengers entering into the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were 899, of which 633 were from British steamers.

There were altogether 18 arrivals, of which 5 were of British registry, the remainder being of other nationalities, while of the 17 departures, 9 were British ships, the rest being of other different countries. Particulars as follows:

Nationality	Ships	Tonnage
British	5	9,168
German	1	795
Norwegian	3	3,815
Japanese	5	24,546
Chinese	4	1,953
Total	18	40,375

SHIPS IN HARBOUR

WHARVES.

Kowloon:—Argun Maru.
Douglas Laprak:—Haitan and Seistan.
Salkong:—Tin Seng.
Chiu On:—Hydrangea.

DOCKS.

Kowloon:—Mau Sang.
Taikoo:—H.M.S. Orpheus, Yingchow, Tungchow, Kent, Hong Hsiang, Tung On, Sinking, Fat-shan and Tantalus.

BUOYS.

No. A3—Glenogle.
No. A5—Kohwa Maru.
No. A8—Tingara.
No. A9—Telanda.
No. B2—Sandviken.
No. B3—Kwangchow.
No. B4—Lyemoon.
No. B5—Michael Jensen.
No. B6—Prosper.
No. B10—Kefjun Maru.
No. B11—Promise.
No. B12—Szechuen.
No. B14—Anhui.
No. B15—Shantung.
No. B16—Mao Lee.
No. B17—Hermod.
No. B21—King Yuan.
No. C1—Tchekam.
No. C2—Luchow.
No. C5—Himeji Maru.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following list of ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong:—
Hong Kheng, Tsushu Maru, Fukuen Maru, Dashi, Tai Shan, General Pershing, Tjibadak, Soudan.

NEW HOGARTH STEAMERS

CONTRACT BOOKED BY MESSRS LITHGOWS

Fleet Of 36 Ships, Built Since 1923

London, Dec. 4.

We are officially informed that Messrs H. Hogarth and Sons, shipowners, Glasgow, placed an order in October with Messrs Lithgows (Ltd.), Port Glasgow, for two cargo steamers, each of 7500 tons deadweight, and work on the vessels has now commenced. The propelling machinery will be supplied by Messrs David Rowan and Co., Glasgow.

The new vessels will be sister ships to the last pair of steamers built for Messrs Hogarth by Messrs D and W. Henderson and Co. Meadows Works, Partick.

We understand that one of the vessels will be laid down at Messrs Lithgows' Kingston Shipyard, and the other at their associated shipyard of Messrs Robert Duncan and Co., Port Glasgow.

Messrs Duncan's yard has been without new work for some time, so that this latest order will mean welcome employment for still another Clyde shipyard.

The total number of Clyde shipyards now in operation is 20, the highest number since 1930.

EFFICIENT CARGO FLEET

Those two ships just ordered are respectively the 37th and 38th cargo steamers which Messrs Hogarth have ordered from Clyde shipbuilders since 1923, which is perhaps a record with regard to building programmes during those years of depression.

Owing to that consistent building programme Messrs Hogarth's fleet of cargo steamers is one of the most efficient in the world, many of their ships having been built during the past five years.

The value of the orders that have been placed by this Glasgow firm of shipowners since 1923 is approximately £2,250,000, the bulk of which has been spent in wages for Clyde shipyard and marine engineering workers.

The order for the hulls and machinery for the Hogarth steamers have been widely distributed throughout the Clyde area, including the Ayrshire coast Port Glasgow, Old Kilpatrick, Greenock, Partick, and Govan.

PORT GLASGOW'S ACTIVITY

The shipyards in the Port Glasgow area have experienced a remarkable recovery since August this year, during which time Messrs Lithgows have received orders for no fewer than 13 ships aggregating 120,000 tons deadweight.

These vessels consist of eight cargo steamers (including the two Hogarth vessels just ordered), three motor tankers, one cargo motorship, and one passenger and fruit-carrying motorship.

As Messrs Lithgows have only nine building berths in their Kingston Shipyard some of the vessels recently ordered will be built at their associated shipyards—those of Messrs William Hamilton and Co. and Messrs Duncan and Co.

We understand also that negotiations are in progress between

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Unlike a conventional oil tanker, the vessel will be constructed with a deep double-bottom ballast tank situated under the cargo tanks. This disposes of the necessity of carrying water ballast in the cargo departments during the outward voyages. There will be 72 separate cargo tanks, enabling the carrying of many different grades of lubricating oil.

The cargo pumping installation has been carefully developed to meet the particular requirements of the oil trade. Eight completely independent cargo pumps and pipeline stems are arranged in such a way that the pumps for the light oils are never used for heavy oils and vice versa. The oils are all kept at the most suitable temperatures by means of special heating arrangements.

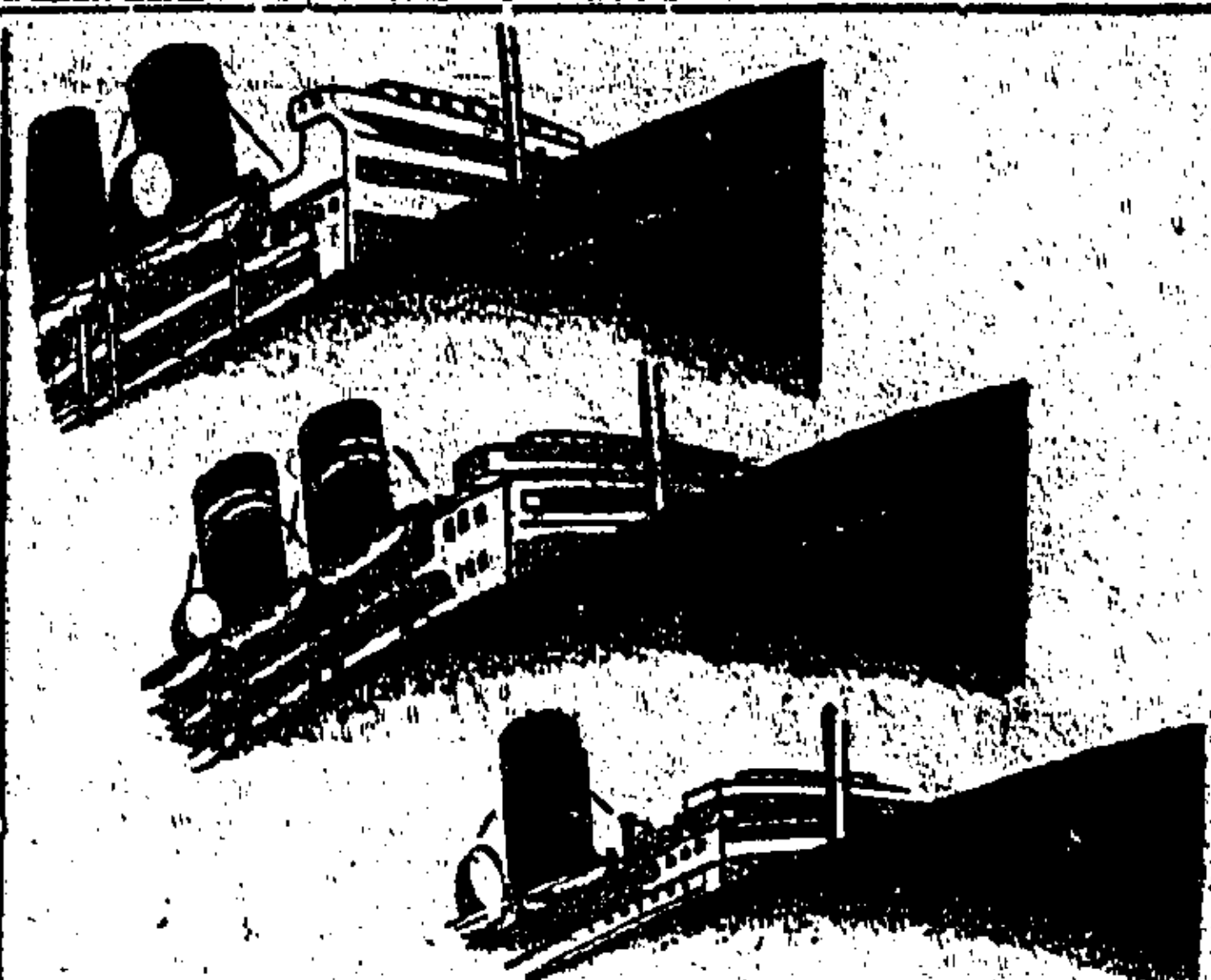
In view of the nature of the cargo to be carried the hull will incorporate about 700 tons of steel in excess of that of the normal type of tanker. The motive power will be supplied by a single-screw Diesel engine. In addition to wireless telegraphy and magnetic compass, the equipment will include radio direction-finding instruments, gyro compasses, and automatic steering.

Accommodation for the crew will be quite out of the ordinary. The cabins will be large airy rooms with modern furnishings, bathrooms and sanitary arrangements adequate, and modern labour-saving arrangements will contribute to health and comfort.

This vessel, the largest British tanker to be constructed for the special transportation of lubricating oils will be built under the special survey of Lloyd's Register of Shipping to their highest class.

Shipping arrivals and clearances appear on page 12.

Messrs Lithgows and London owners for the building of two steamers of about 4000 tons gross. The shipbuilding activity at the yards of Messrs Lithgows has also brought welcome employment to Clyde engineering firms, particularly Messrs David Rowan and Co., Glasgow, and Messrs John G. Kincaid and Co., Greenock, the two firms which between them are supplying the propelling machinery for all the vessels under construction at Messrs Lithgows' shipyards.



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*VALDEIRA	10,000	28th Dec.	Bombay, Madras & London
*BEUTAN	6,000	4th Jan.	Madras, Havre, London, Hbg, Rdm, Antwerp & Hull
CARTHAGE	14,500	11th Jan.	Bombay, Madras & London
*MIRZAPORE	7,000	11th Jan.	Bombay & Karachi
*PREAR	6,000	18th Jan.	Madras, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rdm, Antwerp & Hull
*RAJPUTANA	17,000	25th Jan.	Bombay, Madras & London
*SOUDAN	7,000	1st Feb.	Madras, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rdm, Antwerp & Hull
CHITRAL	15,000	8th Feb.	Madras & London
CATHAY	15,000	9th Feb.	Madras & London
*BURDWAN	6,000	23rd Feb.	Madras, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rdm, Antwerp & Hull
KAWALPINDI	17,000	7th Mar.	Bombay, Madras & London
COBURN	14,500	21st Mar.	Madras & London

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (About)	Destination
*SANTHA	8,000	4th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta
TALMA	10,000	18th Jan.	
SIRDHANA	8,000	1st Feb.	
SHIRAZ	8,000	15th Feb.	
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